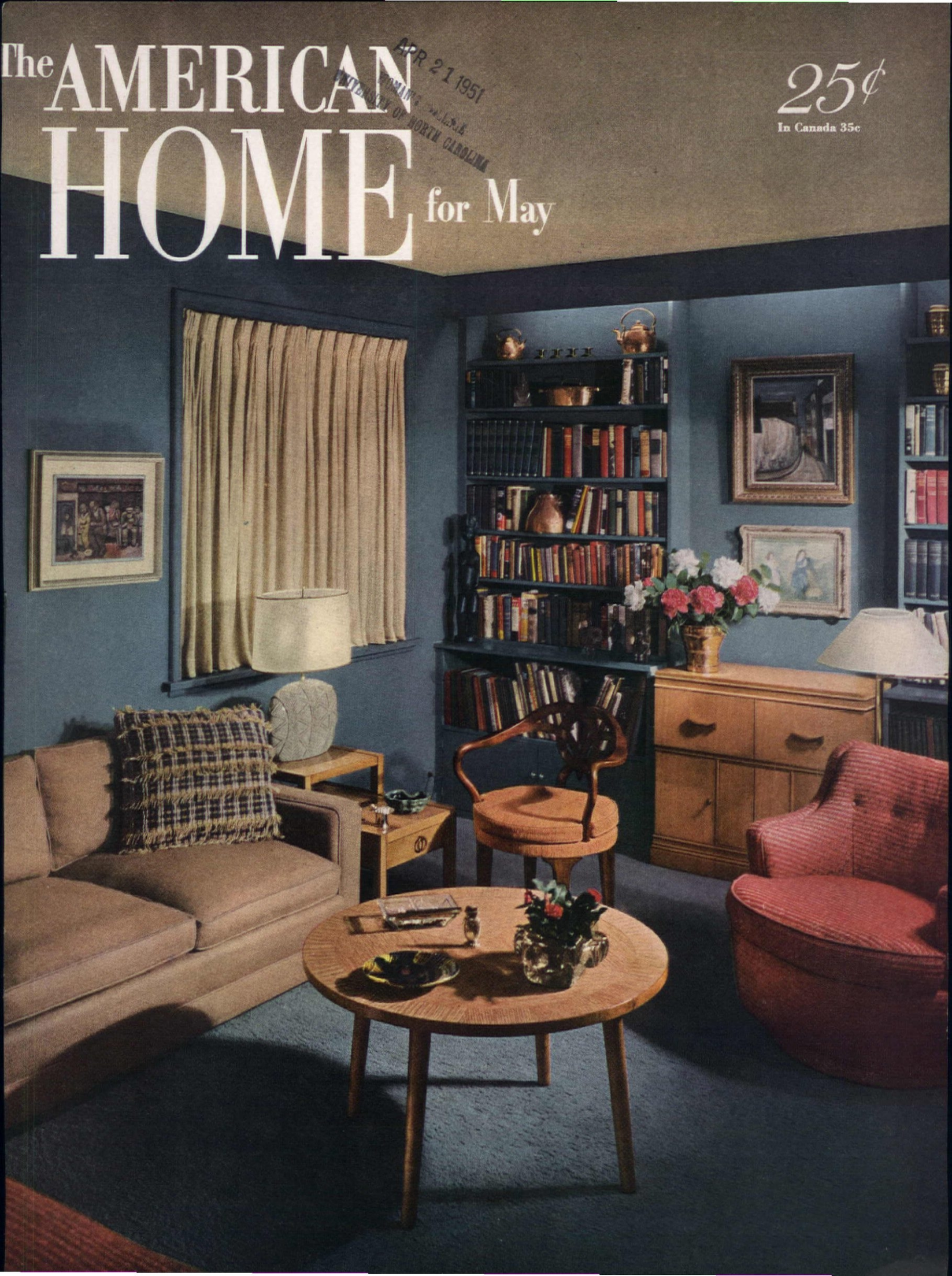
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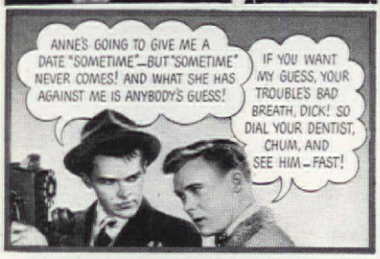
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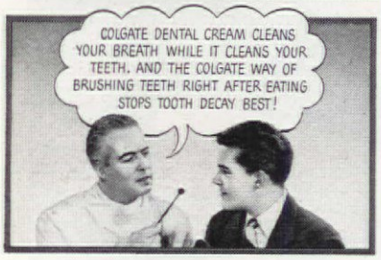


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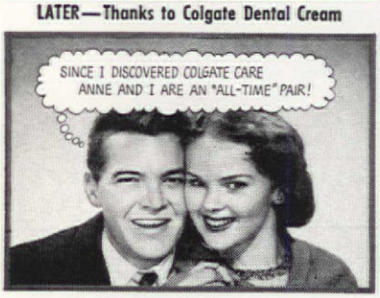
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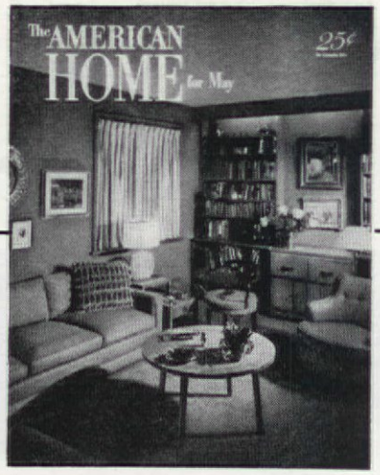
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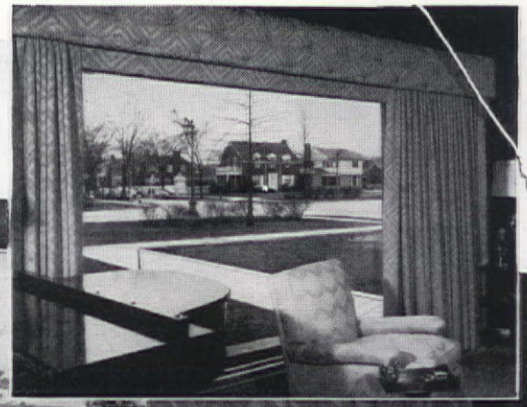
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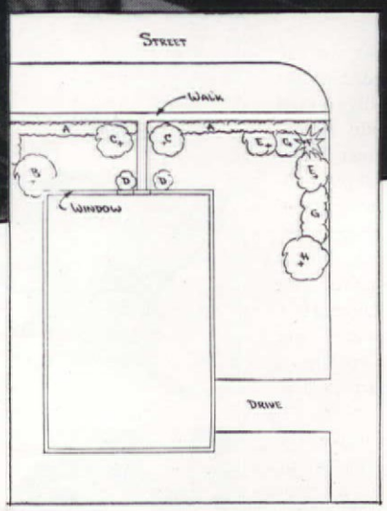
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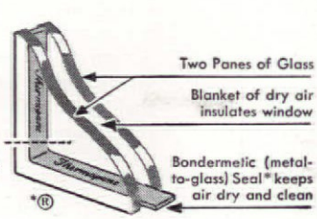
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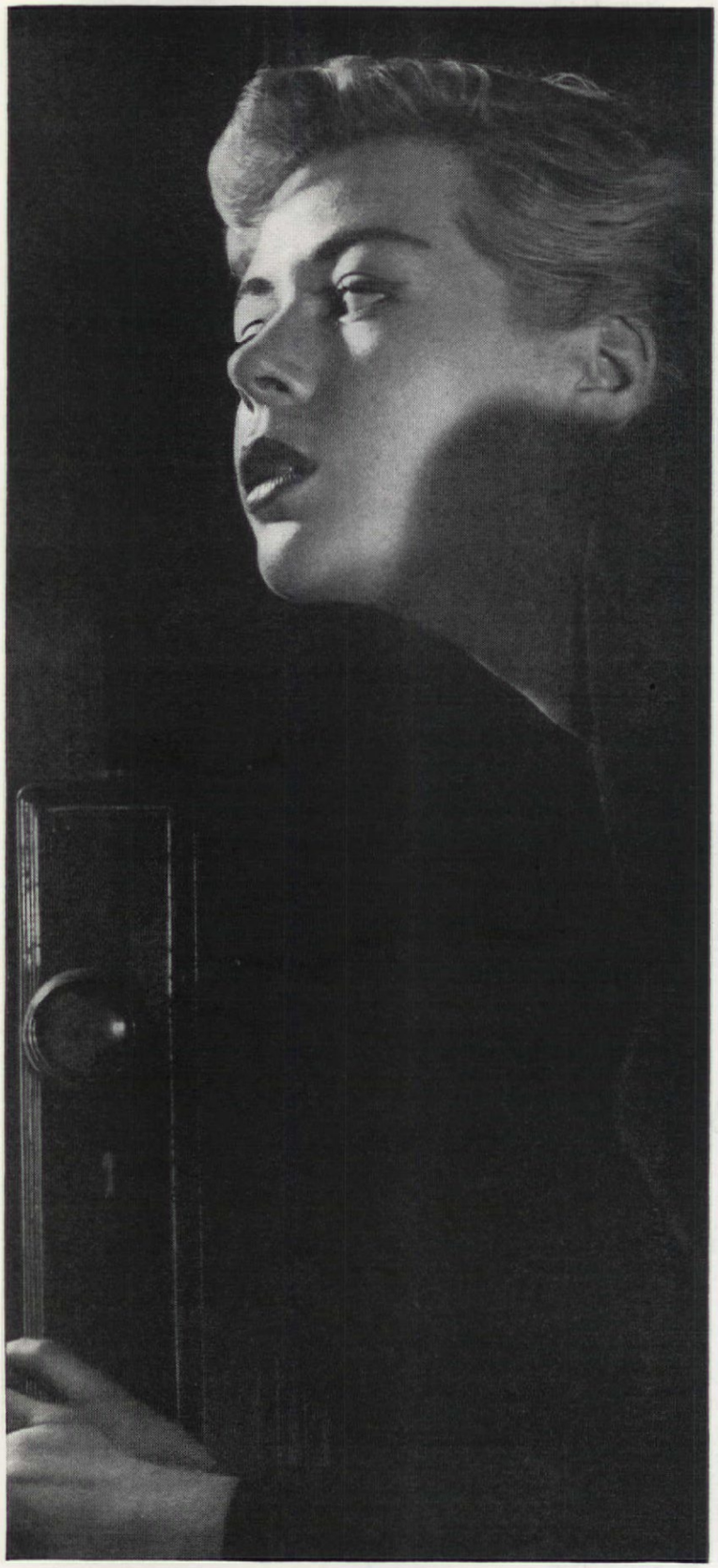
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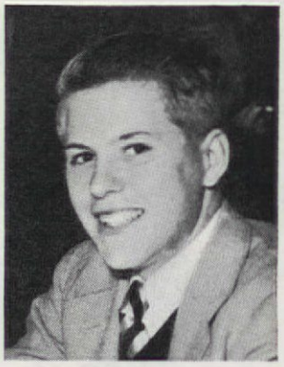
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. . . **GRACE LANTZ.** This lovely lady before becoming Mrs. Walter Lantz was a talented actress of stage and radio, known then as Grace Stafford. Originally from the East, she has adopted California, where she and her cartoon-producer husband Walter Lantz, creator of Woody Woodpecker, enjoy their comfortable home and are staunch advocates of bringing outdoor living indoors. Their unique room, page 40, exemplifies this. A Gray Lady, Mrs. Lantz serves with the L.A. Chapter, American Red Cross.



. . . **GEORGE HALL,** decorator for the Harry Gates home on page 28, has already had a colorful and diversified career. He started as a child movie star, has been a decorator since 1930, is also a licensed attorney, which profession has become his avocation. Flying is his great hobby, especially to inaccessible places—one being where this picture was taken, running the rapids of the Colorado River. He's an air pilot with over 3,000 flying hours to his credit, and maintains a plane for business as well as pleasure.



. . . **JACK HARTRICK,** decorator for the Arthur Rosenberg apartment shown on the cover, is a Chicagoan by birth, learned his 3 R's in Keokuk, Iowa, returned to Chicago where he studied at Art Institute, De Paul University, and Carthage College. Majored in pattern design, architecture, and furniture design before becoming interior designer-decorator. After-Army service, he was associated with the furniture industry. He has now adopted New York as his home, having joined Wm. Pahlmann Associates.



. . . **LAURENCE LUSTIG** who, with his wife Harriet, remodeled a sad old home in Irvington-on-the-Hudson (described on page 42), is a talented artist, art director, and winner of the 1950 O'Hara Prize Award of The American Water Color Society. This young couple have not only combined their talents in the art fie'd, but have co-authored and delightfully illustrated *"The Young Folks' Cook Book."* Their other consuming interests: gardening, an Irish setter, and their lively six-year-old child.

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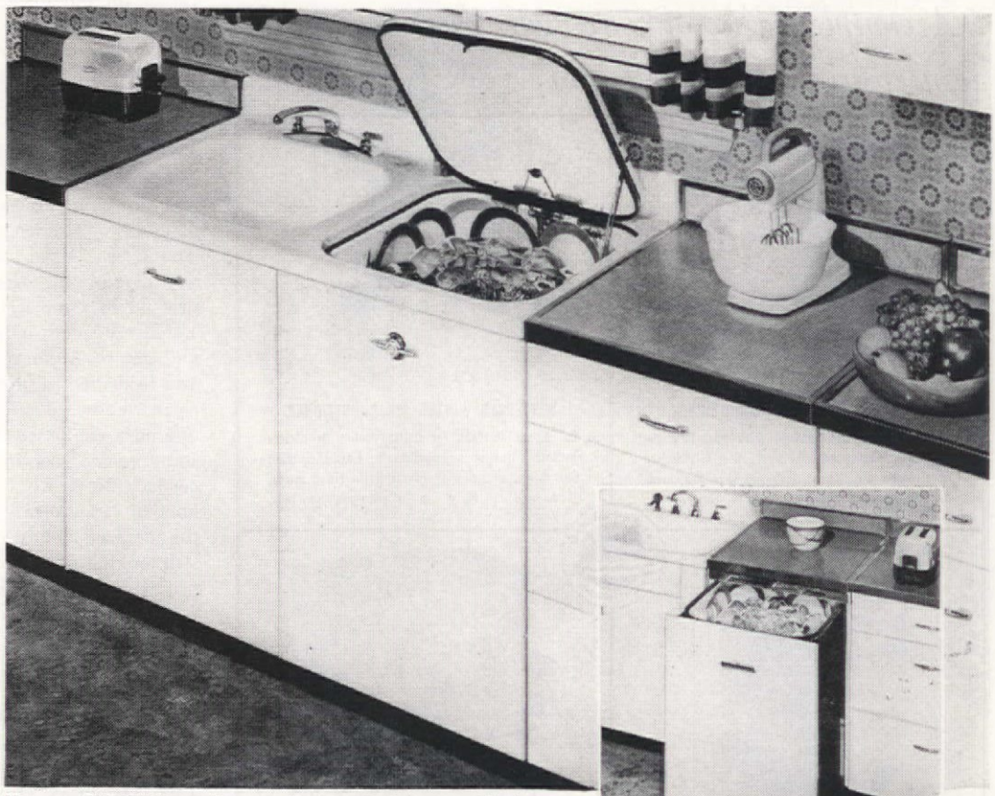
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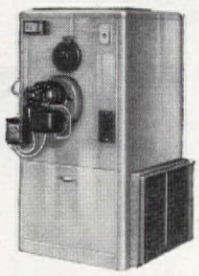
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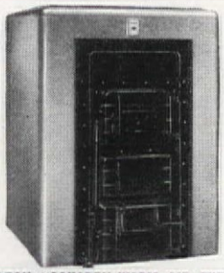
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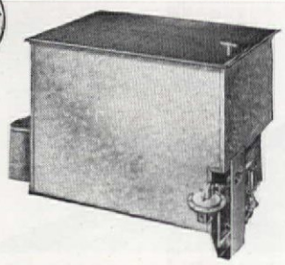
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Letters

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We dared not guess what our mode of living would be like when we left America to come to Gondar as government teachers in the public school system, but were pleasantly surprised to find a large five-room apartment awaiting us. Since there is absolutely nothing here in this far-away place to work with, all we had was our own ingenuity and, yes, thanks to your magazine, a host of practical ideas —and practical they had to be!

We laugh when visitors compliment us on our coffee table, for it is made of an old grocery box taken apart, rearranged and covered with cloth . . . A barrel chair in the spare-bedroom was once the shipping container for our dishes. . . . With each issue of your magazine we find the urge to try out those new ideas!

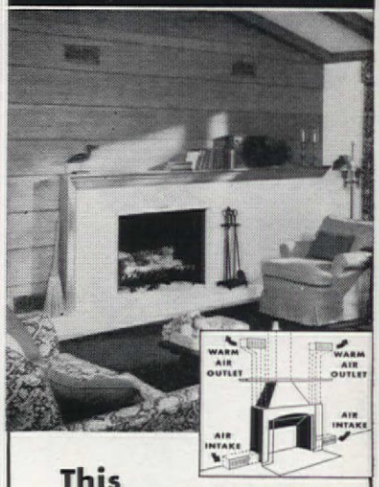
—MR. AND MRS. ANDY STEELE
Gondar, Ethiopia

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HOMEMAKER'S BIBLE. I'm a minister's wife. My husband has accused me of spending more time reading THE AMERICAN HOME than I do the *Bible*. I was amused when I read the letter from Mrs. R. G. Dods, Honolulu, Hawaii where she called it her "Homemaker's Bible." Each night I study THE AMERICAN HOME and each



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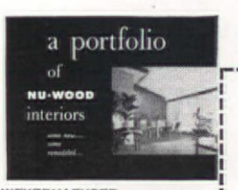
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morning finds me putting new ideas into action, even if it's only to rearrange the things on the coffee table to look like a picture that inspired me. I do this just as religiously as I read my *Bible* each evening and put its Christian principles into practice next day. Why hadn't I thought of it as the Homemaker's Bible before?

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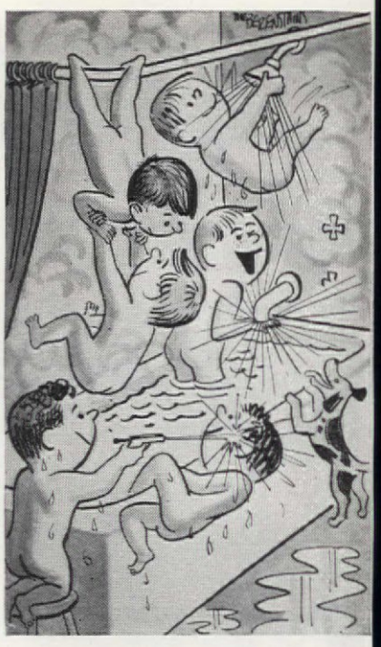
—MARIAN H. JUDISH

DAYTIME JABÓN. We'd love to see more of Mr. Wahleen's picture stories but we're afraid we won't if he continues such *unsafe* practices as dialing the radio while one hand dabbles in the dish water—page 20, January. Maybe, though, the poor man *is* getting an electric shock; maybe that's why he is making that awful face! We agree with his attitude, however. Here, in Puerto Rico, the *jabón* operas are all in Spanish, so they just rinse off.—MARGARET REGNIER

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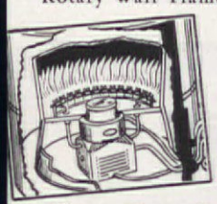
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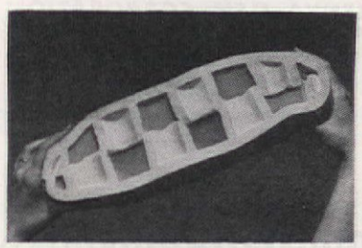
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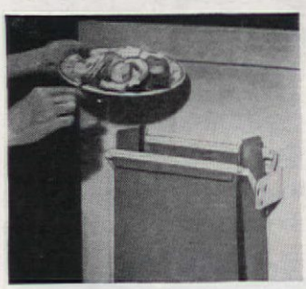
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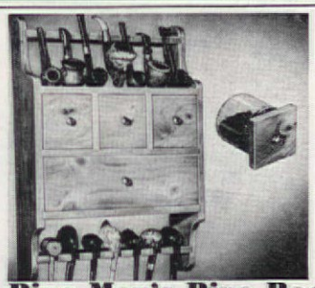
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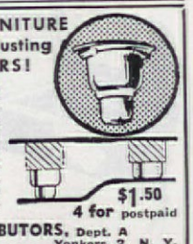
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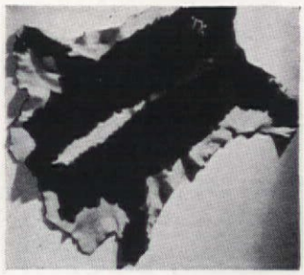


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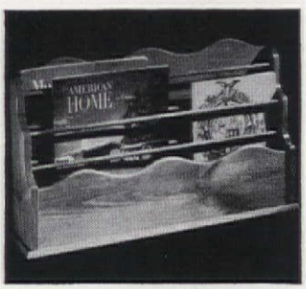
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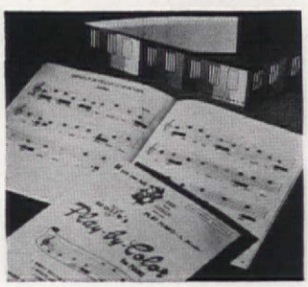


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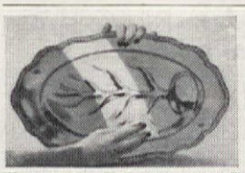
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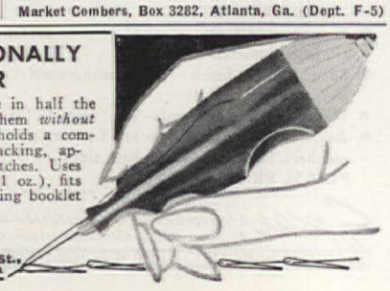
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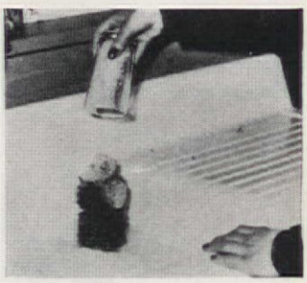
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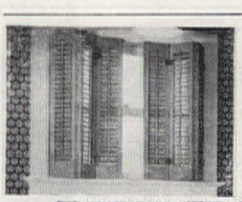


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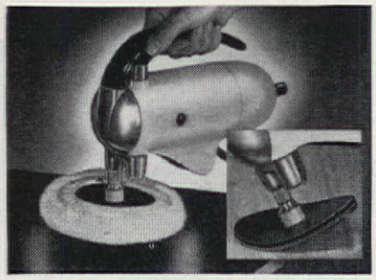
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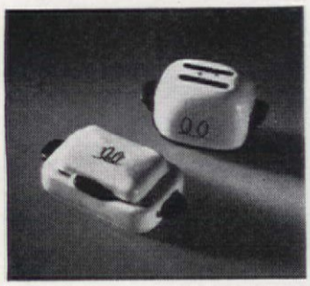
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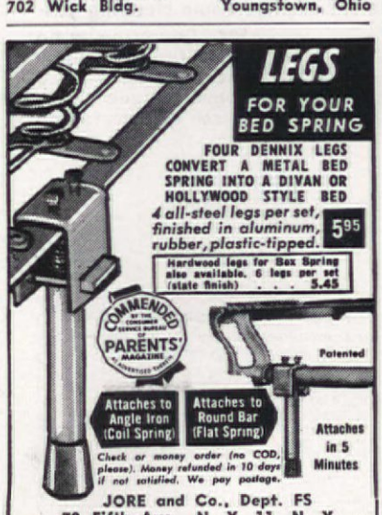
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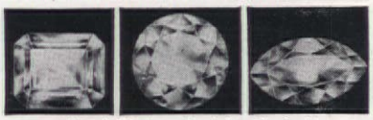
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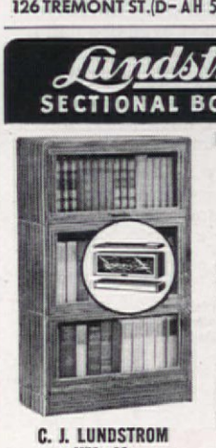
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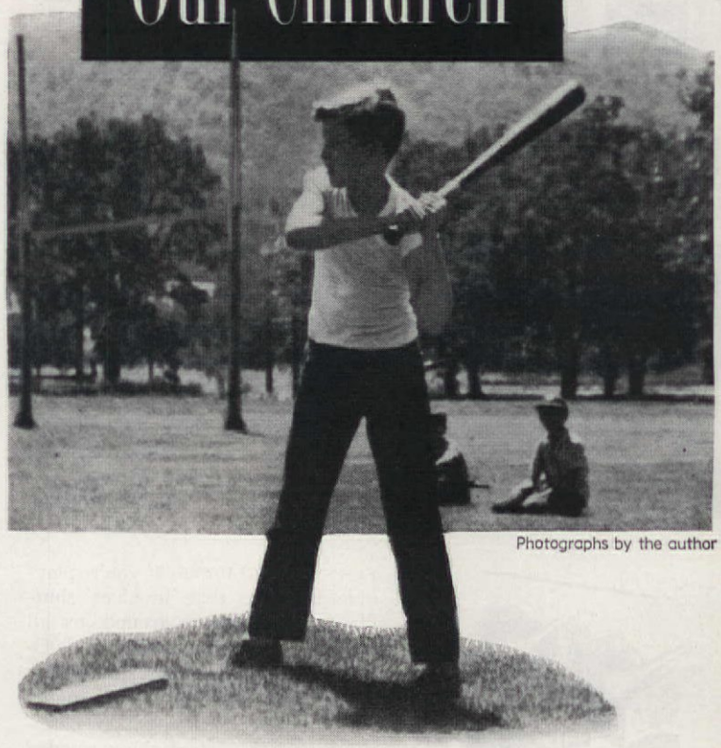
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Our Children



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Danville does right by its youngsters

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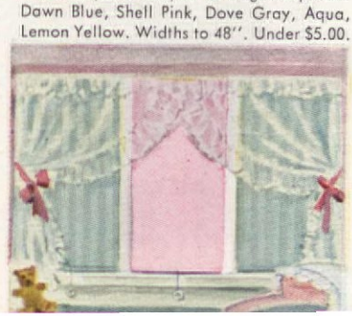
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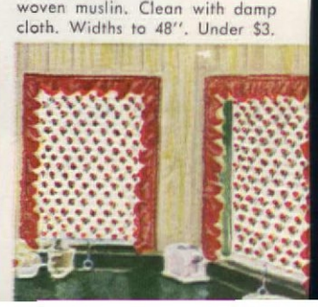
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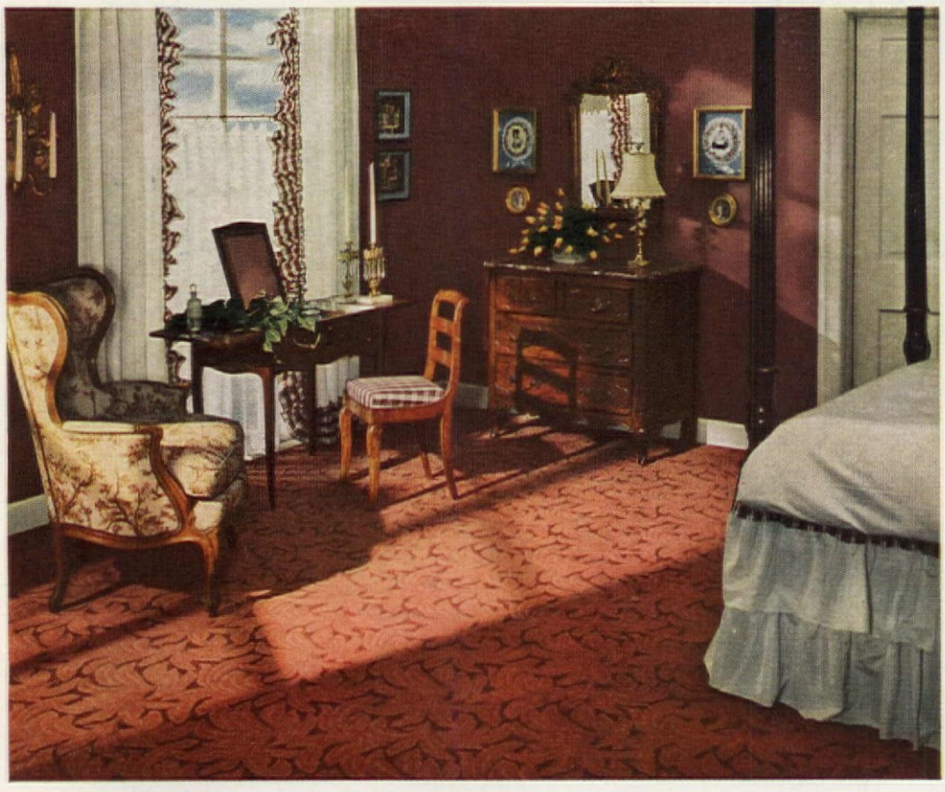
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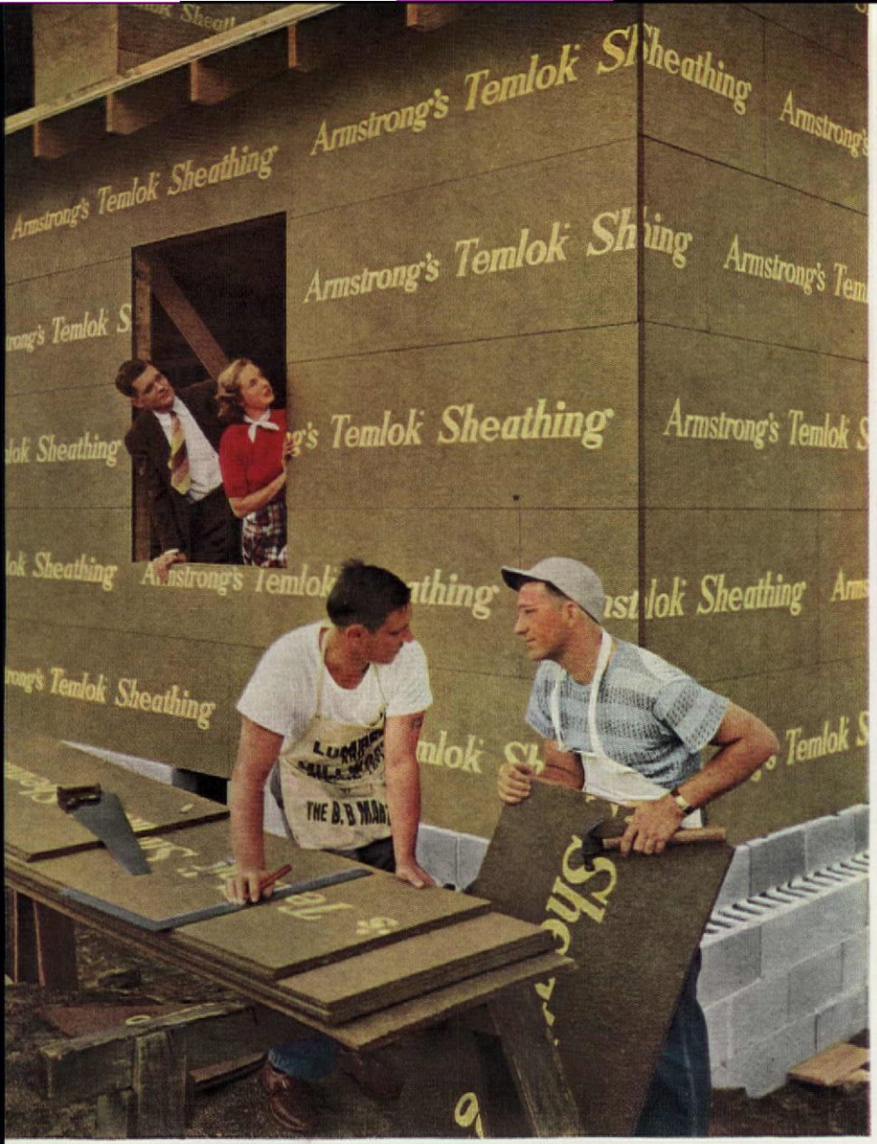
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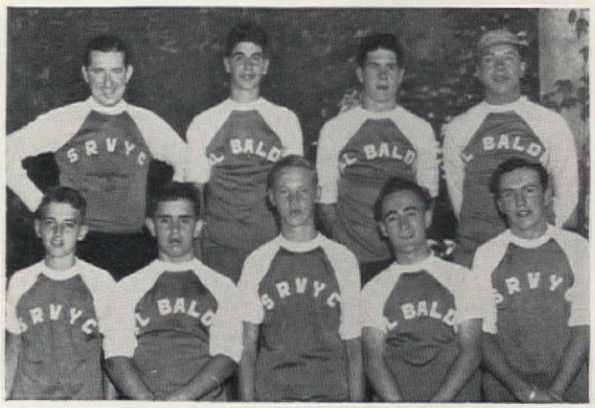
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Our Children (Begins on page 18)



One of the summer baseball teams of the San Ramon Valley Youth Center proudly displays the special uniforms, made possible from contributions of one of the local service clubs

town cop is the authority for the statement that juvenile mischief is at a minimum all year round because of the carry-over of this successful summer project. He says it is mainly during an idle summer period between school terms that the first links of a delinquency chain are liable to be forged.

All any place needs to start a youth center, as the citizens of the San Ramon Valley will tell you, is an interested group of parents fired with the idea that such a project is a necessity. After that, get permission to use your school facilities, buildings, and playgrounds. Then get one or more trained paid directors to carry out your program, and you're on your way. Certainly it does take some pushing and planning behind the scenes, but once you put on a summer activity program in your town you will be like Danville parents, who say they just wouldn't be without it.

In the days before the Center, Danville was like countless other small communities. When school closed for the summer, there was nothing to interest the kids and consume their energies. As a result it was inevitable that every summer there would be a fresh outbreak of mischief. Then one summer this mischief developed into serious delinquency and the entire community decided that something must be done. A town meeting was called, at which youngsters and their parents thrashed the whole thing out and decided, since the town had no recreational facilities, steps should be taken to provide them. The plan for a center was presented to the youngsters and they chose a group of parents as an adult committee to

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Remodeling idea #2

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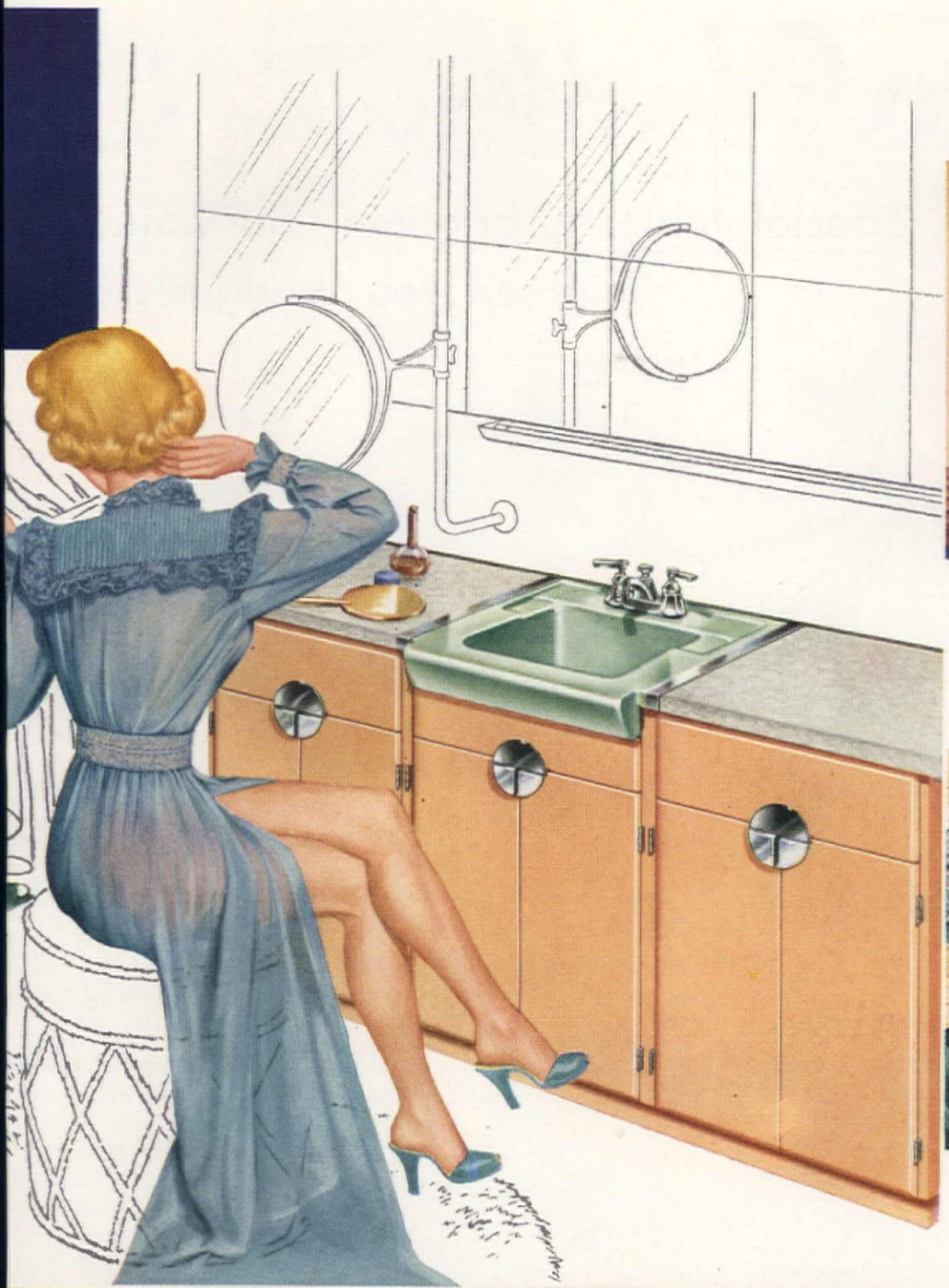
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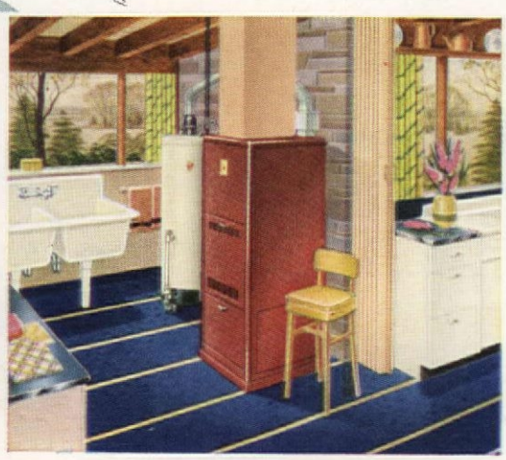
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18 million of us helped win one Victory—now let's garden to win another!

E. L. D. SEYMOUR

This message is for every AMERICAN HOME reader who already has a garden, or access to a bit of ground so suitably and conveniently located, of such fertility, and in such condition that it can be cultivated economically and with a reasonable expectation of success. In writing it, I have gone through a mass of correspondence, records, and reports dating back to 1941—the archives of the Victory Garden Program of World War II, of seven National Garden Conferences and many local ones, and of the National Advisory Garden Committee which, after a few dormant years, was reactivated on January 22 at the call of Secretary of Agriculture Charles A. Brannan. For an even more complete perspective, I might have dug into the records of the War Garden movement of World War I. The patterns are much the same. They trace the growth of an emergency; the realization of a need; a call to the country's homemakers to help conserve and supplement the nation's food supply; a unanimous, enthusiastic response, and the achievement of remarkable, vitally important results.

Now, once more, history is repeating itself. Conditions, in some respects less serious than in the past, are in others becoming more difficult and acute, largely because of developments and complications that follow civilization's discovery and application of new and powerful forces which can destroy, as well as build.

An emergency confronts the United States, and the world. Food, always needed, becomes critically important as physical and mental stress imposes greater demands on individuals, families, communities, and peoples. The maintaining of nutrition standards and diet levels becomes more necessary than ever, not only for civilians in normal and emergency-intensified occupations, but also for increasing numbers of men and women, in or out of uniform, organized to protect, defend, and make permanent the peace and liberty we seek. And even as those demands increase, heavier burdens are imposed on the complex machinery involved in the handling of food—processing, packaging, transporting, distributing—which, in turn, call for more vital materials and equally vital manpower.

Fortunately, the production of much valuable, protective food can start right in the home garden. The conservation of food can be accomplished in the local market where it is bought, the kitchen where it is prepared, the canning kettle, the drier, the storage cellar, the individual quick-freeze unit, the community locker plant—at every stage of the route between the growing of a crop and its consumption. Do you see now *why* we are being called on, as home gardeners, as food buyers, and as food users, to "do it again"?

And just what are we to do? . . . Look back to the first National Garden Conference in December 19, 1941—a fortnight after Pearl Harbor—to which horticultural leaders were summoned by the Secretary of Agriculture and the Federal Security Administrator. It was called to "bring together the best thinking in the country, both within and outside the government, on how gardens can contribute to a healthy nation, and help win the war." Already it had been recognized and stated by Secretary Wickard that "Food will win the war and write the peace." And during the two-day meeting it was repeatedly stressed that a home garden "may be one of your best assurances that your family will have plenty of the right kind of food to build strong bodies, steady nerves, and high morale to tackle the big jobs ahead."

The "food-for-freedom" goal for 1942 was set at almost six million *farm* gardens. At that time the government, and perhaps many outside it, had no idea of the tremendous possibilities of non-farm home gardens—in suburbs, villages, even big cities. But these soon came to light during the next few years when, as in 1944, 18 million home gardens yielded some 8 million tons of food (and made possible *8 billion quarts* of canned vegetables and fruits), for consumption at home.

The 1941 Conference recommended to the government that "Gardening be considered an active branch of the national war effort"; that the name of the program for 1942 be "Victory Garden" instead of "Defense Garden"; that "the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the State Agricultural Colleges be the primary source of subject-matter information"; that "opportunity be given boys and girls under adequate leadership to participate"; that "special emphasis be placed on effectively harvesting, handling, and utilizing garden products as no less important than growing them well," and, finally, that "the cultivation of the soil be stressed . . . as an invaluable part of a productive and satisfying life."

Many of its recommendations were adopted and have been consistently reaffirmed at subsequent conferences. This makes almost prophetic the words of Governor Prentice Cooper of Tennessee who, as chairman of the Conference, described it as "one of the most important and timely ever held in our capital."

Turn now to the 1947 Conference. President Truman's welcoming message said, "The value of gardening in building strong bodies, healthy minds, and a happy people has never been greater. . . . Today we need relaxation, happiness and congenial relationships among our people. These needs can be met in great part by a continuing program which involves the participation of millions of Americans in home gardening. Eating

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Mrs. Gates sets the table for guests, with Linda trying her best to be of help and almost succeeding



Sunny terrace, seen through wide living-room window, a bright setting for warm-weather outdoor meals



True to ranch-house form are undressed-stone fireplace, tongue-and-groove wall paneling, clipped ceiling of rustic siding with beams exposed

MARTHA B. DARBYSHIRE

A Family Affair —

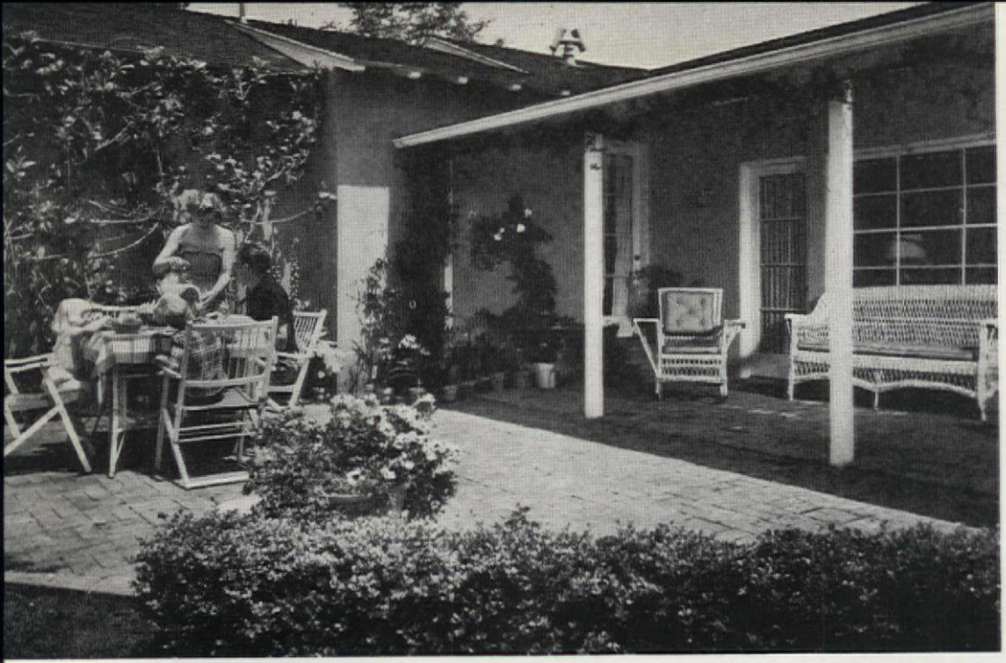
FROM START TO FINISH

For sheer simplicity and swerve of silhouette, the modified ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Gates, of West Los Angeles, has it. Has what? Both the authority that speaks well for the housing experience of this old-type architecture, and for the intelligence of its owners in adapting it to the frenzied pace of today. It has lost none of the old enchantment, and yet it is adroitly scaled to the needs of one man's family and their fluid way of living in today's hustling world.

It's extraordinary the way their house came into being. When they were married, Mrs. Gates' father offered them a part of a piece of property, which he owned, for a homesite. They could have either a front lot that faced a delightful street or the piece of ground back of it. They chose the rear plot, and wisely. It gives them not only two-fold privacy and safety for children from street traffic but too, it has a clear view of distant mountains to the north, with a broad expanse of lawn at the front and an equally deep rear yard that slopes gradually down to a meadow and stream, giving a feeling of country charm.

The last war interfered with building their home and then, when Mr. Gates returned, there was a double hurdle. Labor and materials were both scarce and sky-high. The interruption in normal living, however, had reached the saturation point. Neither were willing to put off having their own home. It was easy to talk, though. How to put their decision into effect was something else, because of the afore-mentioned obstacles.

It ended by Mr. Gates deciding to build his own house. As for building experience, he had at least served an apprenticeship, since for summers, before he was married, he had worked as a carpenter on a home-construction crew, and became a good one. His father-in-law, Mr. F. R. Hilditch, had built homes as an investment in one phase of his business career and although he had not had practical experience at that time in using a hammer, he knew plenty about construction materials and had picked up no end of first-hand knowledge of how the work is actually carried on. With these recommendations, it is not surprising, then, that he immediately offered to help on the project.



Dining outside on the terrace is a pleasant habit with the family, since they have the double advantage of both beautiful scenery and as much privacy as though they were indoors

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The following day Mrs. Gates' grandfather volunteered another pair of willing and capable hands. The pooled knowledge, as well as the acknowledged lack of it, bolstered courage and confidence and the three men set to, to do the job. It took longer to complete the work than usual, but it is a beautifully, painstakingly, skillfully constructed house, comfortable to live in.

The roof line quickly catches the eye—the way the builders allowed partial gables to step down with the natural slope of the land! It is markedly characteristic of early architecture, too, the manner in which they combined building materials. They let the floor plan guide them in that feature. True to old ranch houses, the house stretches out into distinct breaks or wings; the far bedroom wing, the center unit, with the entrance hall, dining room, and kitchen in the near end wing. The far bedroom wing is stucco, painted *café au lait*, and then, to contribute texture, pattern, and scale, the center section has exterior shingle walls, oil-painted to blend with the stucco color, while the walls of the left near wing are built of Channel rustic siding, painted white like the trim of the other two wings. Dark green shutters and the dark green front door are given punch by an old bench on the front porch of the same blackish green. Its chief function seems to be holding pots of scarlet geraniums—not a drab chore. Gives an excellent touch of added color.

It is more simple, and more satisfactory, too, to build this old, native, rambling house today than it was in early times, due to our perfected heating and insulation. In the new ones, there are no more frigid, damp floors and no need to pivot your front and your back before an open fire to keep warm. Today, the entire house is comfortably and evenly heated. The new ranch houses have larger windows at front to let in more light and sun-warmth, and at the back there are wide, eager windows and glass sliding doors.

There is one change that will be noticed and perhaps, at first glance, regretted. The veranda that often ran the length of the front of the early ranch houses, is missing . . . but for two good reasons. Formerly, entrance to all rooms was off the veranda. Now, we have modern floor planning which gives us inside connection to *all* rooms. This not only removes the necessity for the long veranda but, too, we no longer sit on front porches. We live at the rear of the house where we enjoy much greater privacy. The Gates' house has a wide rear veranda that has entrance from, and runs the length of, the living room, with an open terrace adjoining. There is also a door leading onto this outdoor area from both the dining room and bedroom wing. What a scuffing it takes from family, friends, and neighbors, each complete with its share of children and family pets!

Inside, the house is completely

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Photographs by George de Gennaro

Scott's room has three blue walls, the other covered with blue and white gingham wallpaper. Unbleached muslin curtains, blue and white flounce. Rug in matching blue, red lounge chair



Mrs. Gates takes a minute off from weeding to see the children off for play with the neighboring children. She spends much of her time trimming and sprucing up the garden, trees and foliage, with remarkable results

OWNER-BUILDER, HARRY L. GATES

DECORATOR, GEORGE HALL



Rich green lawn and a profusion of bright flowers form the setting for a modified version of the old California ranch house. Exterior is combination of stucco, shingles, and rustic siding. Mr. Gates laid the stone walk himself

The Blues and Violets

26 Color

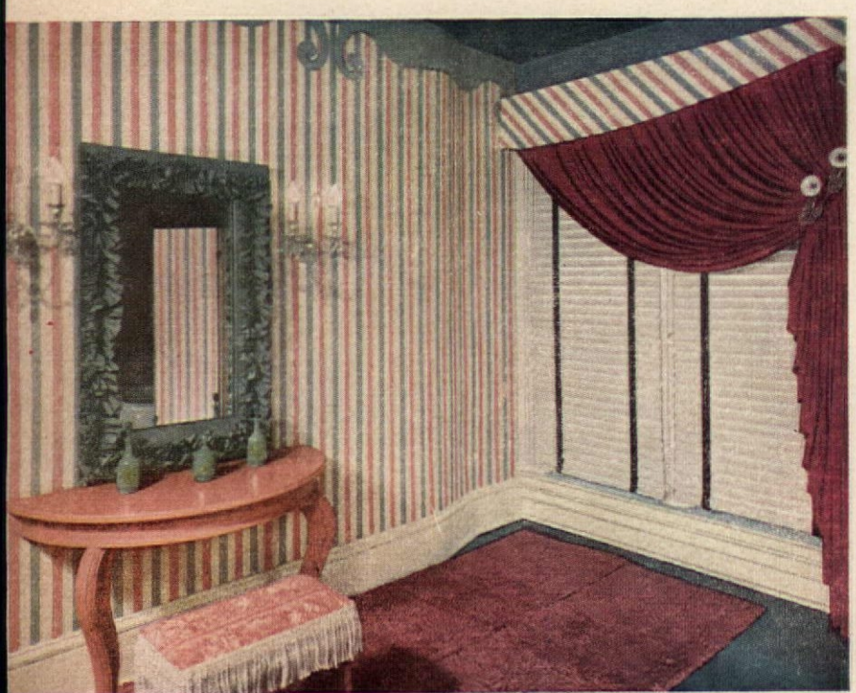
The blue chips: azure to deep, glamorous purple. Blues are space-makers for smaller rooms. The purples look new, must be handled with discretion







Above, a traditional living room with aqua painted walls—a tint neither completely blue nor green, but with characteristics of both. Floral printed fabric on sofa establishes deeper blue-green in foliage. Red appears as minor accent in design. A room that is cool, without being too formal. Next: for positive entrance drama, walls in a modern foyer painted deep blue-green continue around the corner into dining room. Note sofa in living room beyond flagstone floor; see how often blue is teamed with red. Above, a formal living room in the "true blues," most liked by men, most flattering to blond women. Worked against background of fresh blue walls and carpet, this scheme plays up soft pink with shades of lilac for contrast, all taken from drapery fabric at windows. A fragile and formal scheme for a





cast. A powder nook in an old-fashioned bathroom combines grayed blue with pinks and vivid grape color in draperies. Blue predominates here—in blue ceiling, the painted floor. There's color news in lilac rug, grape-colored cloth. Technically, if the blue and pink in the wallpaper were mixed together, the resulting color would match the grape draperies—another method of "proving" the color scheme. Console is an old dining room table, cut down; the mirror, an old frame trimmed with chintz. In living room above, color scheme was picked from draperies separating living room and sun porch. Against blue walls, the lavender color in fabric was played two ways—up and down the scale. Lightened, it sets the pink for sofa and carpet. Intensified and deepened, it's seen in purple chair in modern sunroom, beyond.

Schemes—take your choice!





traditional room, with particular appeal for women—at its best when teamed with 18th-Century mahogany and walnut furniture of good quality. Directly above, strong blue in carpet of modern room dominates this scheme, is base color for natural plywood walls. Observe the red, for contrast, in chair strappings, on the tableware. Deeper blue of the sofa is tinged with red, throwing color more toward the purple





Above: against blue walls and carpet, the pink of tub chair is delicate, pretty. A good decorating lesson here: Put your hand over the picture, blank out the purple chair. See how room pales into an insipid scheme without sharp color. Rich, vibrant purple is the shocker, the strong positive color that throws scheme into proper perspective, balance, just as rich bass tones give depth to music played on pipe organ

Soft traditional blends or sharp modern contrast? Where to begin? Here are 6 pages of color schemes to help you pick the right combination for your rooms. Gathered from homes all over the country there's one for every region one for every taste

Of course you can be your own decorator! The first thing you need is a good beginning—and as just such a starter we point to the 26 color schemes pictured on these 6 pages. They're good, sound decorating ideas, the creative work of the nation's finest decorators, gathered from all over the land.

A color scheme can begin anywhere—with a favorite picture, a slip-cover fabric, a piece of chinaware, a hooked rug. If you are unsure of yourself, remember that professional designers of home furnishings, famous artists, are all expert colorists. If you take the results of their works which appeal to you very much, faithfully follow not only the shades but the *proportions* of color they've worked out, you can build a lovely room scheme, one which is sure to be pleasing to you.

In choosing a wall color, be sensible about the exposure of your room—and you'll not be sorry later. If the room faces north—or if it's a dining room facing a neighbor's house across the drive which cuts out the sunlight—do choose white or a warm light color to bring light into the room. Deep-colored walls in such a room are at their best only at night. If your room faces south or west and is flooded with sunshine, here's the place to experiment with blues and greens and deep-toned walls. A west room should avoid hot reds and yellows like the plague—else you'll feel like you're burning to a crisp on a really hot summer afternoon.

Notice how many of the rooms illustrated here are confined primarily to shades of only two colors. When a third color is introduced it plays a definitely minor role, is used with care. Smart decorators often get some of the loveliest effects by just such *restraint* in handling of color. It's a good thing to remember. Anybody can cram a room full of all kinds of unrelated colors. But actually it's easier—and far more successful—to pick one or two good colors and stick within their range.

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26 Color Schemes



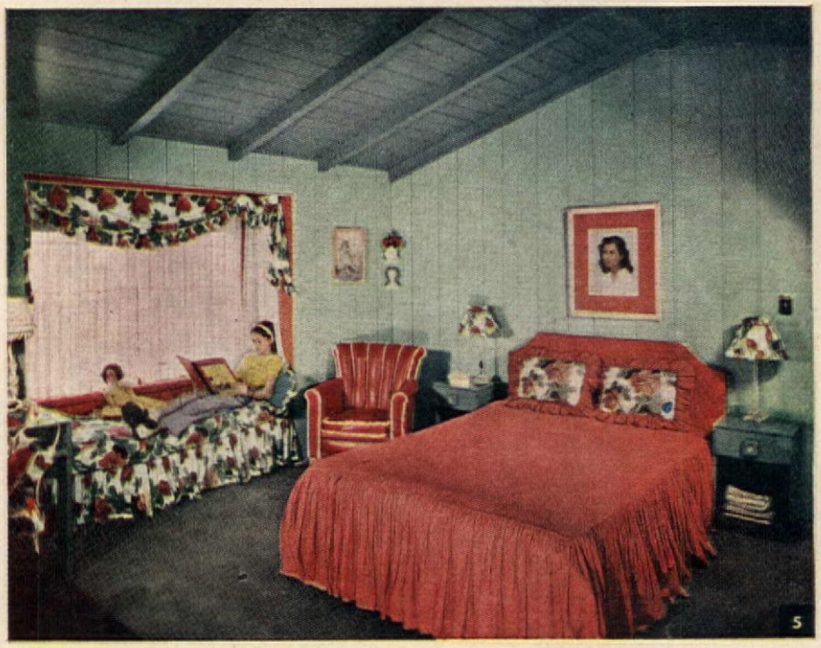
1 Aqua green—green so pale, so tinged with blue, as to be almost either color. Here, freshness of the color is pointed up by rich green stylized wallpaper design as dado around the room. Without the strong pink, repeated in rug and dressing-table skirt, room would have been too cold. Always warm a cold scheme with a warm color

2 Formal living room, done in three shades of green. Scheme is decidedly on the cold side, which directly accounts for much of the dignity and formality, though classic lines of furniture and fireplace accent this theme. Pink is used sparingly, to maintain the cool look. No pattern; rich textures underscore the serene quality

3 A beautiful off-tint of green—pick your own name, celadon, chamois, willow—is subtle color for walls and ceilings of this modern room. Example of a low-key or quiet scheme. Note how all colors in the room are muted, subdued. See how handsomely natural wood tones blend with this soft palette. A serene background for a modern house

4 Sharp green, light but with a "bite" to it, colors ceiling, walls, and floor in this living room. Deep-toned emerald in chairs, lamp shades, plays bass counterpoint with paler green. Chinese red on sofa (reflected in mirror) is sharp punctuation. Such acid greens, ranging upward to chartreuse, are difficult, best handled professionally





5 Pale grayed green, near to sage, light on the walls, darker on the beamed ceiling. The quantity of red used here cheers this room immensely, makes it friendly and informal. Contrast with formal living room above. Aside from obvious difference in architecture, stepped-up use of warm color increasingly throws scheme to cozy, lighthearted vein

6 Very grayed green, subdued and unobtrusive, for the wall of this comfortable bedroom. Had same color been employed on ceiling and floor, the room would have been darker, more somber. White ceiling, floor, white-ground fabrics, lighten it both in color and mood. Red, the accent color, is also paint color mixed into green to "gray" it

7 Clear medium green, slightly on blue side, seems to speak of summertime in this cool room. Scheme is casual, uncomplicated, the print on the sofa a gray-background fabric. Rich golds and copper of old things do much to win this scheme from the too-cold nature. Rough cement block walls, absence of moldings, help keep it simple

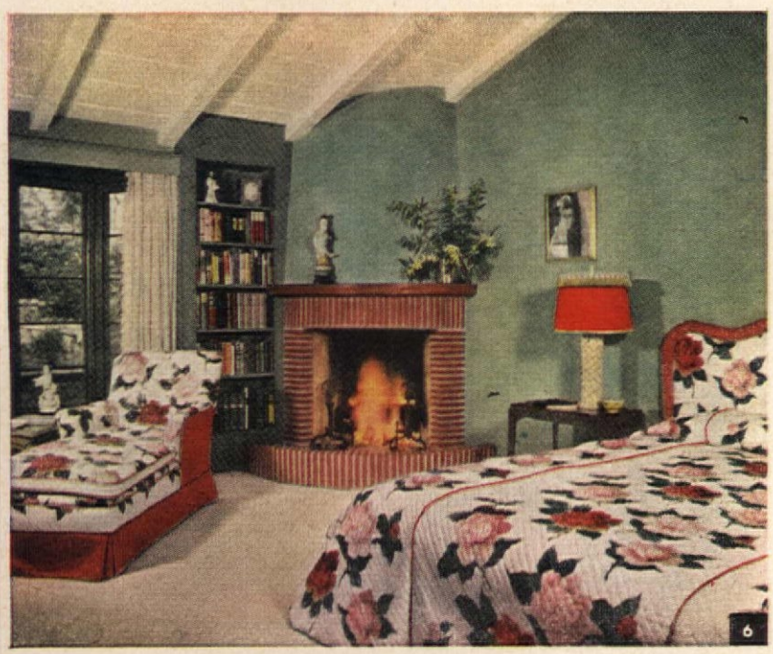
8 Robust, happy room that makes no pretense of its owner's fondness for deep forest-green, firecracker-red in good quantity. Forthright, livable scheme for positive people unafraid of color. A scheme like this is particularly attractive at night. Here handled informally; yet same scheme, same color quantities, could make vivid formal room

9 Black-green, so deep, yet not losing identity. A difficult color, enormously satisfactory to some, depressing to others. If you like deep colors, prefer a "shut-out-the-outside-world" atmosphere with curtains drawn against the night, this is for you. White gleams beautifully against it, red is superb, chartreuse is a good team-mate











The Greens

The green cool of water

and wet leaf; the quality of emerald . . .

Green is cool, has many expressions—

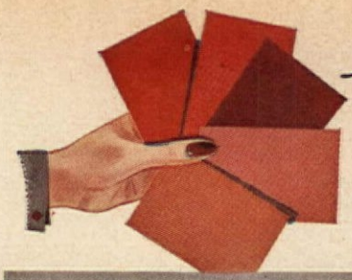
freshness, repose, or rich formal dignity





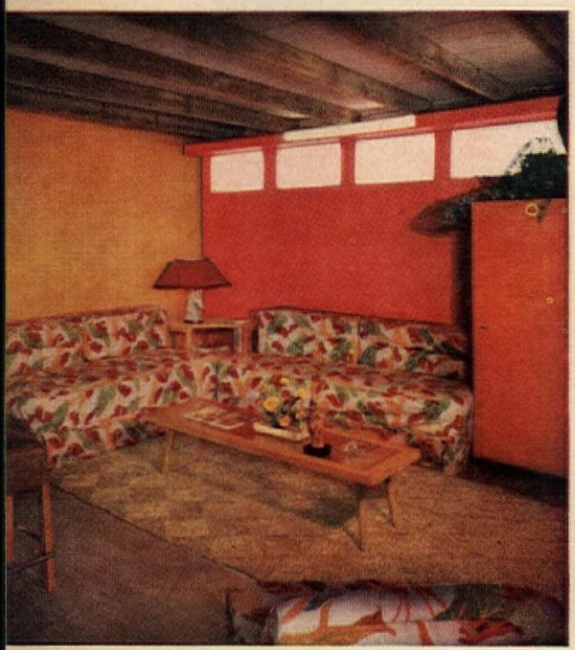


26 Color Schemes



the Reds

Danger, courage, challenge, adventure . . . red means all these. To base your decorating scheme on red you must possess a high sense of all these qualities. Remember, it takes living up to







Hot red, on one wall only. A brash, stimulating scheme, best with modern. There's little to cool it, but the room, designed for a resort hotel, was deliberately keyed high to lift the spirits for a short vacation. Tropical fabric further hits the hi-jinks feeling of the scheme. Next, a traditional bedroom. Note that in this bedroom, as well as in room at left, the smacking red was confined to one wall lest it get completely out of hand. The impact of this room is its play on contradictions—the chaste undergarment-white of walls, ceiling, the neat black and white pattern of single-bed coverlet, the brazen scarlet challenging as a matador's cape. In the middle: an old-fashioned parlor that's become as exciting as a party room. Little was done to change its bad features; color (red) put zip into them instead. Red

the Whites



White walls are coming back into favor in high-fashion decorating, so don't let anyone tell you it isn't "smart" to have white walls. If they please you, they're right

White, the subtlest of all colors,





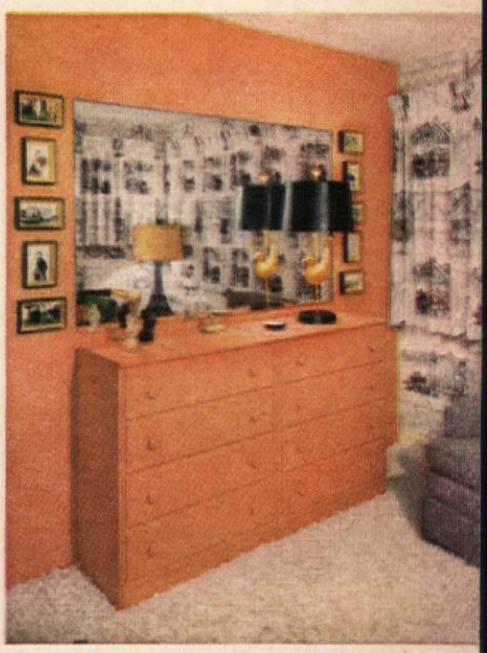


As near to white as white can be. Actually there are thousands of tiny dots of blue, red, and yellow balanced in proportion to give the white you see in living-room walls above. Colors of furnishings in this room are subdued, grayed, which lessens their reflective value. Even so, they influence the "color" of the white. Next: in living room of this modern house, walls are faintly tinged with yellow, as light pouring through glazed area strikes yellow sofa cushions, bounces, reflects this yellow onto white plaster walls. The rug, which is white, seems gray. This is due to its nubby texture—light from windows at right casts hundred of small shadows from hundreds of nubs. In the middle: a living room which seems warm, pink-tinged. Yellow incandescent bulbs in the lamps are "warmer" than daylight;

For the extrovert, the egotist, the happy unafraid . . . the reds! Employ with a bold hand—but apply with a modicum of caution. And in a west room, never

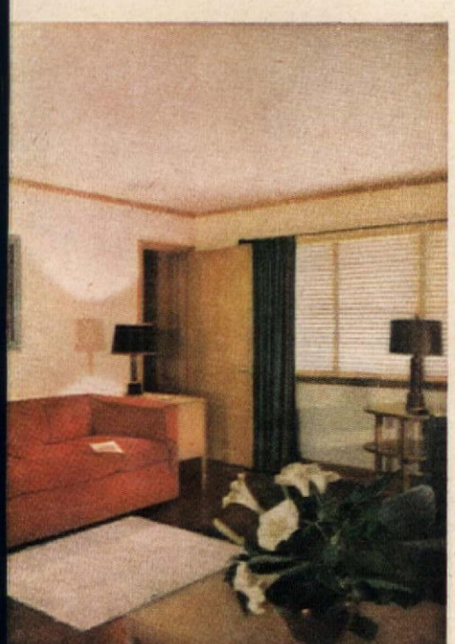




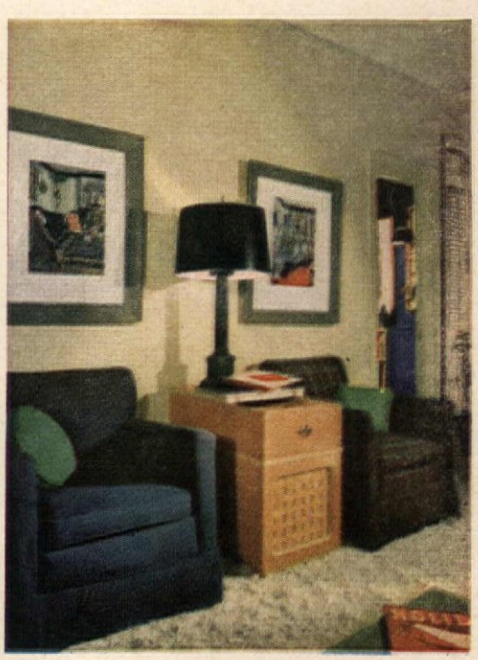


and white stripes are as staccato as a tommy-gun. Part of the new glisten is mirror; panels of it, above and below, lighten the gay-nineties mantelpiece. Above: a rose room. The roses and pinks stem from red. In this intensity it's still a "high" color, is not for the clinging-vine school of decorating. It needs cooling, and gets it, for this bedroom: spruce green bed-covers, chair, and the green rug ice it and cool it. Upper right: a difficult color to get right, this color is news in home furnishings this year. The decorator calls it "apricot"; actually it's last year's "orange" or "bittersweet," grayed and dulled, with a gold undertone glinting through. It's a more livable color than orange, has more life than brick or terra-cotta; it is smart as a whip paired off with etched black and white, glowing mustard yellows.

the hardest to match. No color—yet containing all colors. Chameleon-like, it assumes its color from what you put with it . . .

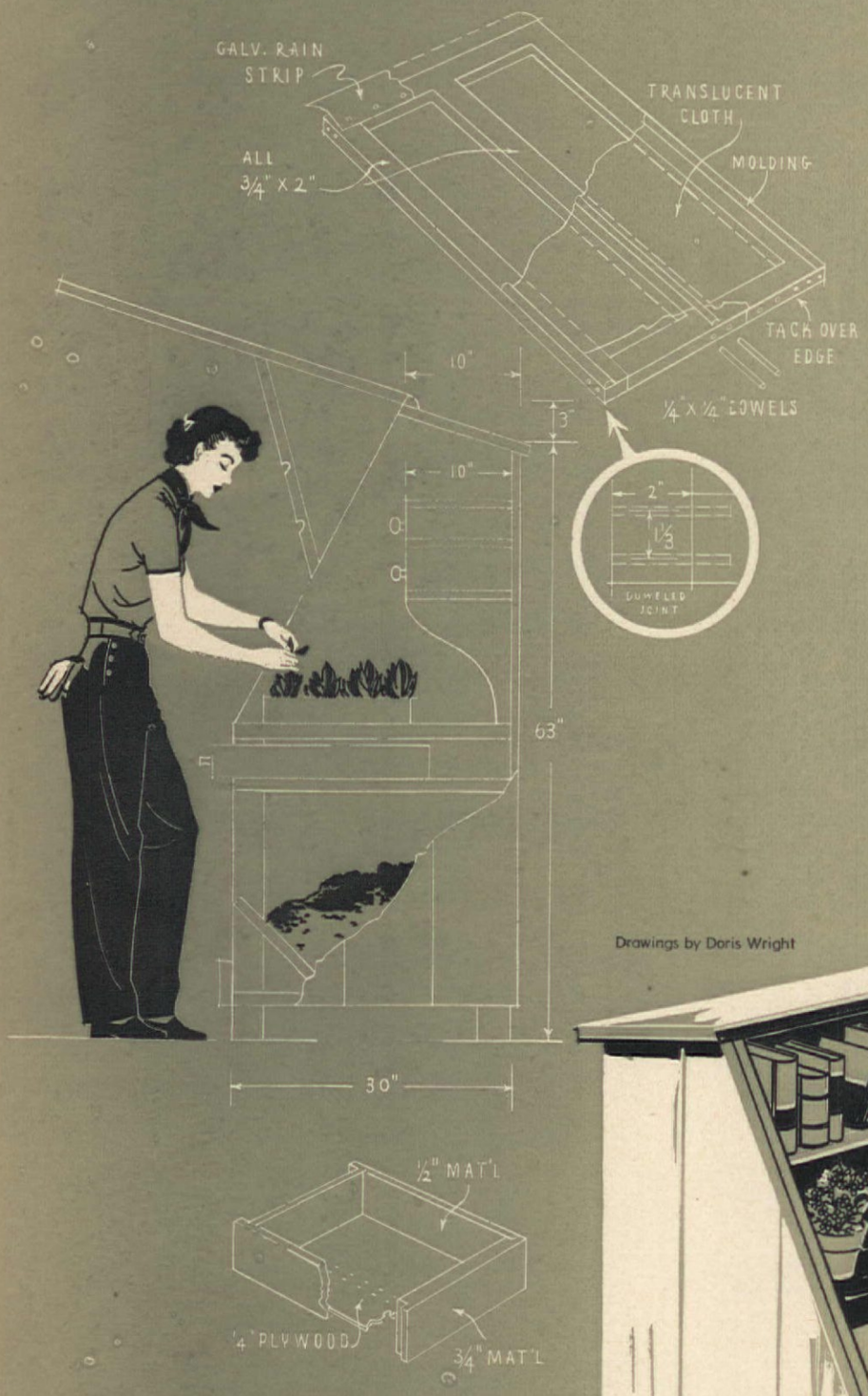






their down-light, striking the rich red of the sofa's surface, bounces against walls and ceiling, throwing a rosy glow over all. Above, in the beam-ceilinged modern room, the whites have a delicately bluish cast. The major surfaces—walls, floor, ceiling—are all high-reflective white, and there is little warm color in the room to reflect. Touches of blue paint further this feeling. Of all exposures, north light —most desired by artists—least influences colors in a room. At right: another variety of white. There's a brilliant emerald-green sofa (not seen) across the room from these chairs, green slat blinds at the windows, which account for the undersea-green tinge to otherwise white walls. White walls, because of superior reflective qualities, will give maximum light in a dark room

Little Ideas you

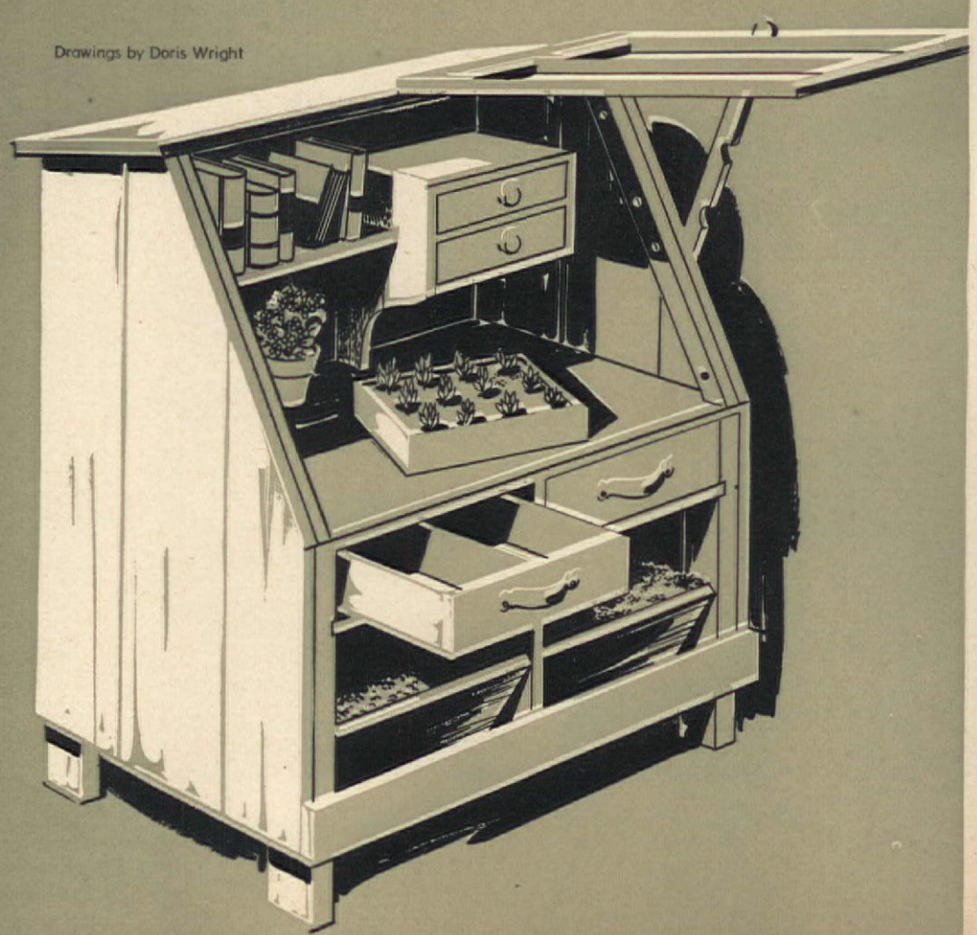


Drawings by Doris Wright

Come what may, we can be sure that no ceilings will be put on good ideas, no restrictions on ways to use them in making our homes and gardens more livable and lovely. Nor is there, for ideas, any priority-rating based on their complexity or what they cost. Often, a simple homemade gadget or unorthodox device will turn out to be surprisingly useful, a "joy forever." The examples shown here may not belong in that class, yet you may find them so if, accepting them merely as suggestions, you develop their possibilities in relation to your conditions and problems.

Take the little patio, of which Mrs. Charles A. Bower of California says: "We built here where the summers are very, very hot. The cement patio looked good, but when the heat came it proved of no use whatever without some protection. Shingles scarce and expensive, so my husband bought 1,000 feet of rejected Venetian blinds for $15.00 and, for $16.90, some lumber with which he built a simple frame. He then cut the blinds into strips and we nailed them securely to the top and one

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can use



Frames of worn-out lamp shades can quickly be made into useful, inconspicuous plant supports. Standard straight-sided type, with top ring snipped off, cuts into two 3-legged semicircles



New paved patio, exposed to summer heat, was unusable; roof of ordinary materials, like shingles, was prohibitively costly. But 1,000 ft. of rejected Venetian blinds ($15) nailed to framing made of $17 worth of lumber, made the spot livable and lovely



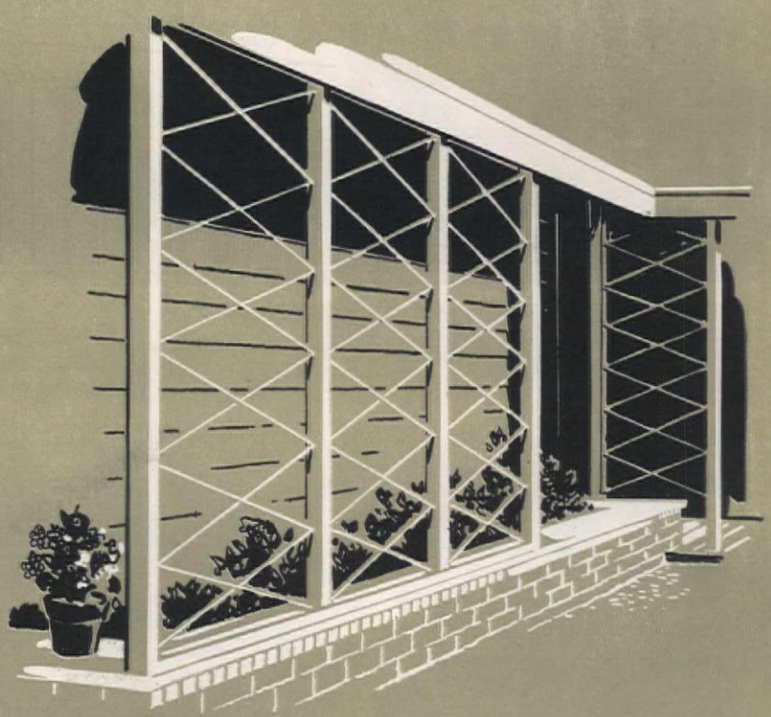
With flaring bridge or table-type frame, cut supporting side wires with wire clippers alternately at top and bottom, and straighten them. Cross wires in top give plants added support





Discarded wire-bound orange crates have many uses; are light, sturdy, and store flat in little space. First, remove ends; then cut wires at center, turn back ends. Wire in pairs to legs for top protection, or use as "tents"





Devised to relieve the flatness of a plain wall along path to front door of a beach house by casting interesting patterns on it, this clothesline lattice between posts standing on brick wall of raised plant bed could be used in many other settings

LEE HOWARD

A Room that does Everything

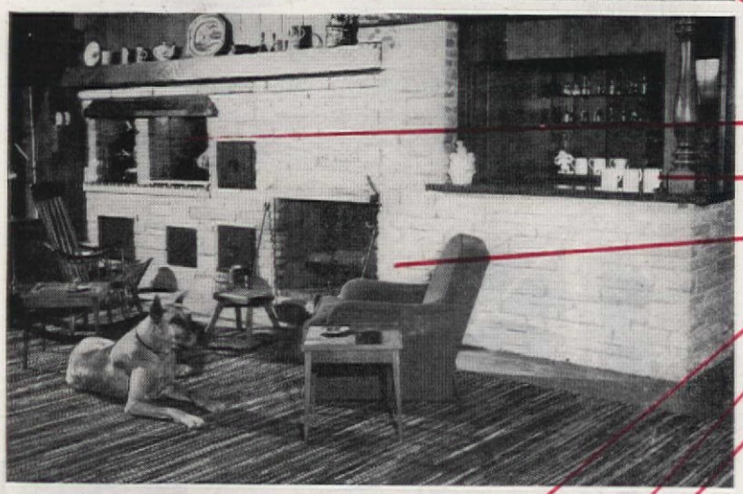


A room that does everything—now there's an intriguing thought. We often hear of double-purpose rooms, such as bedrooms which act as sitting rooms, dens that can become guest rooms, and living rooms that are used for dining, too. But a room that can do all this and more is unique. Which is exactly what happens in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lantz of "Woody Woodpecker" fame. One important room has become the axis around which all activities spin. The strange thing is that this is a new addition, yet it has taken the place of practically every room in the house. No one eats in the dining room any more, the real living room is deserted, and even the barbecue oven outside is left alone. The Lantzes do all those things in *The Room*.

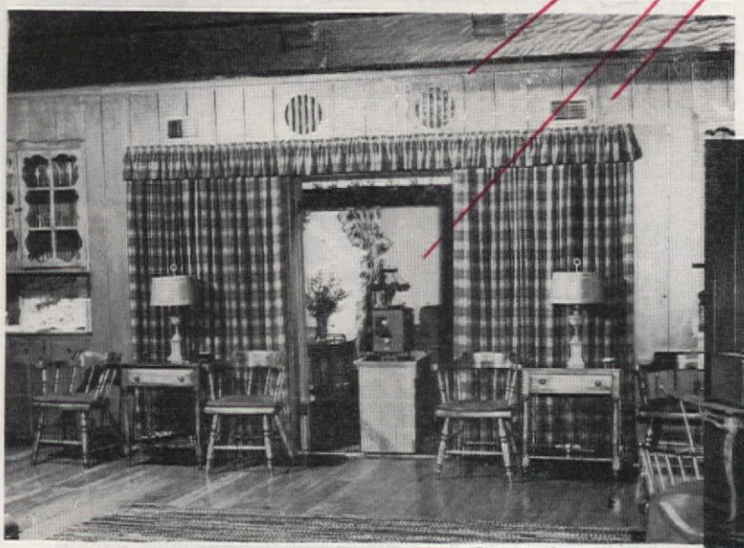
Decorated by Harry Gladstone, there is plenty of space in this lovely room without its being too big. Two wide window areas which overlook the garden add to its spacious feeling. The west wall is finished almost entirely in Arizona stone in varied shades of soft pink, and contains the bar, fireplace, two barbecues and oven. The bar has a small refrigerator and sink. Two barbecues serve a very useful purpose. One is the usual variety for charcoal-broiled delicacies, the other runs electrically, with a revolving spit. Never dependent upon the weather, barbecued meals can be enjoyed rain or shine with very little fuss or bother. A fan above the barbecue removes cooking odors. A long table, with a wide window behind it overlooking the garden, is in the south end of the room. A television set, placed on wheels for easy moving around, generally sits at the left of the table.

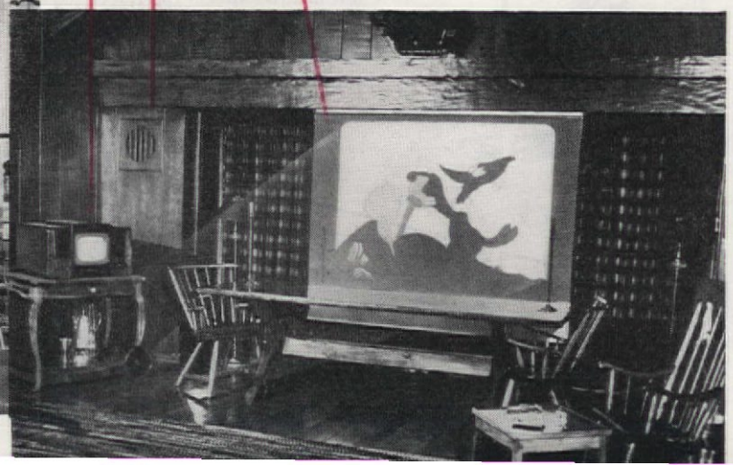
Here, too, the motion picture screen comes down from the ceiling and rests on the table. Loud speakers are permanently hidden from view. Another wide window frames a furniture grouping with a "library" look. The square table holds a coffee-grinder lamp and comfortable benches flank either side. On the fourth side of the room there's a doorway leading to the rest of the house. Here the movie projector is set up when wanted, and above the doorway paneling is the loud speaker for the radio and phonograph.

No wonder the Lantzes spend so much of their time here in this cleverly contrived, colorful, comfortable room—wouldn't you?



DECORATOR, HARRY GLADSTONE

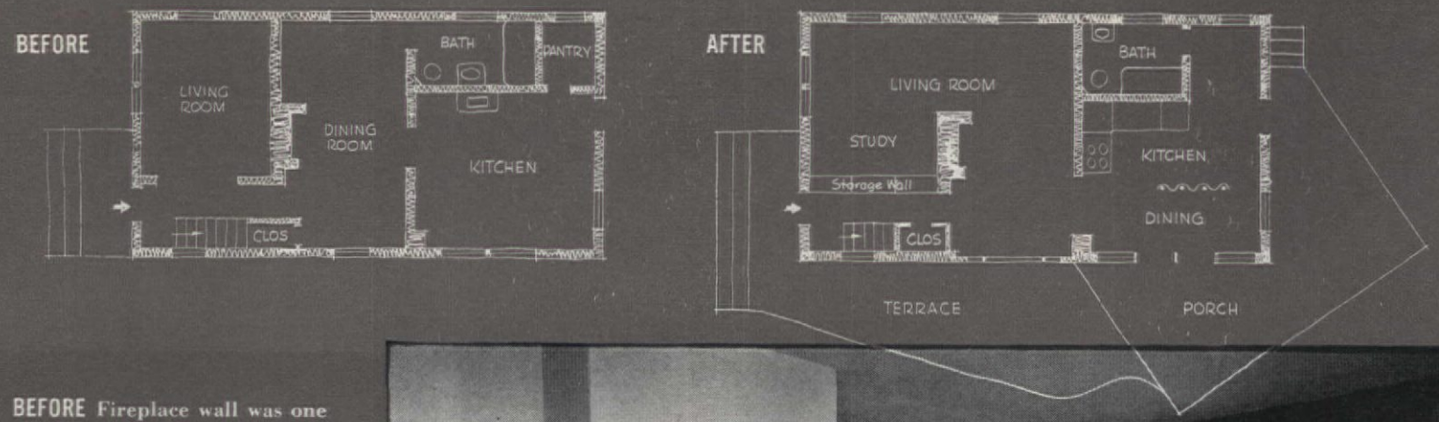




Photographs by Robert Dane



Looking toward south wall, dining center is framed by a wide window hung with green and red plaid draperies. The whole look here is of rugged, easy comfort, from the sturdy homespun furniture to the large flagstone fireplace. Multi-colored hooked rug covers planked, random-width flooring





BEFORE Fireplace wall was one spot in living room that didn't look too bad. But the Lustigs removed section of wall, making two small rooms into spacious unit

AFTER Face of fireplace was streamlined, opening enlarged. Sheetrock was used to make wall above flush with fireplace. Brick effect on wall at left was made by scribing lines in ¼ inch of plaster put over old surface



BEFORE Door at right led into closet under stairs, wall at left divided living and dining rooms. Problem was to widen room, make dining room accessible and take advantage of magnificent view

AFTER Door was cut down, moved back three feet under stairs. Cypress paneling went onto other wall, opening cut through to dining room. With big window, they get view and more space



Photographs by F. M. Demarest

Old-fashioned Conversion

The house was thrown in with the land, but the Lustigs discovered a gold mine when they remodeled it!

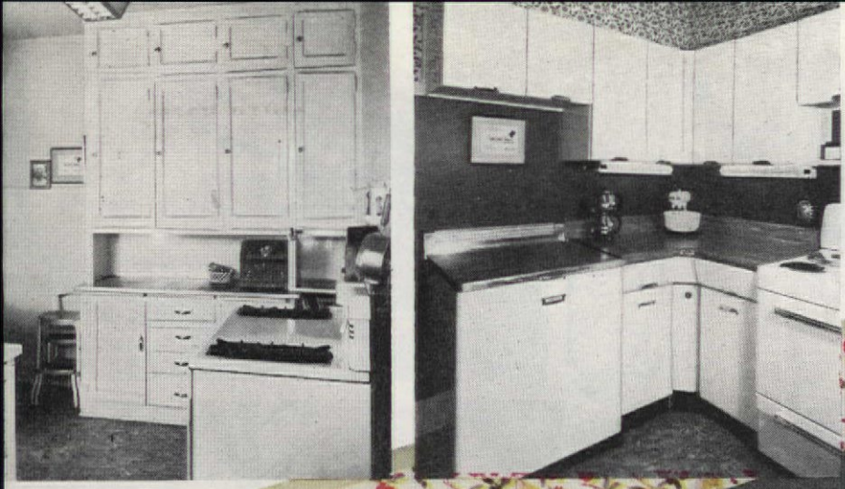
They didn't know it, but the startled exclamations of friends coming to see the Laurence Lustigs right after they moved to their home in the country was just the reason they didn't tear it down, although everyone thought they should. Both the roof and the heating system were in excellent condition and the foundation solid. Added to this was an acre of land, part of it an orchard, all of it overlooking the Hudson River. And it was only forty minutes away from New York and a pay check. To apartment dwellers like the Lustigs, it also meant a healthy, normal existence for their young son. To them, it looked good.

Because of the housing shortage, they moved into the house just as it looks in the "before" pictures. In the end, this was fortunate, too. It gave them three months of living with their problems before the first crowbar was applied. And their problems turned out to be the ones common to all old houses. The rooms were small, there was no closet or storage space, the wiring was unsafe and inadequate, and the plumbing ancient. At the end of three months they had a plan that overcame all these faults—and seemed workable on their budget.

Since his capital was limited, Mr. Lustig looked for every means to cut costs. By working with a plumber who was willing to come in evenings and week ends, their plumbing bill came to just $60. By trading two old radiators to a plasterer, the patching and small amount of new plastering was only $40. Together, the Lustigs tracked down bargains like the sink with a dent in the side and slightly damaged metal corner cabinets. The damages are now invisible and they consider these buys hidden assets.

Carpentry was the largest single expenditure. Even with Mr. Lustig doing all he could, it was $600. But for it they now have an L-shaped living room that's spacious and livable. The storage wall in the hallway, the built-in cabinets in the kitchen and back hall are invaluable. The brown cypress paneling in the living room is a warm contrast to painted walls and the natural brick of the exposed chimney. It is used again in the bathroom because

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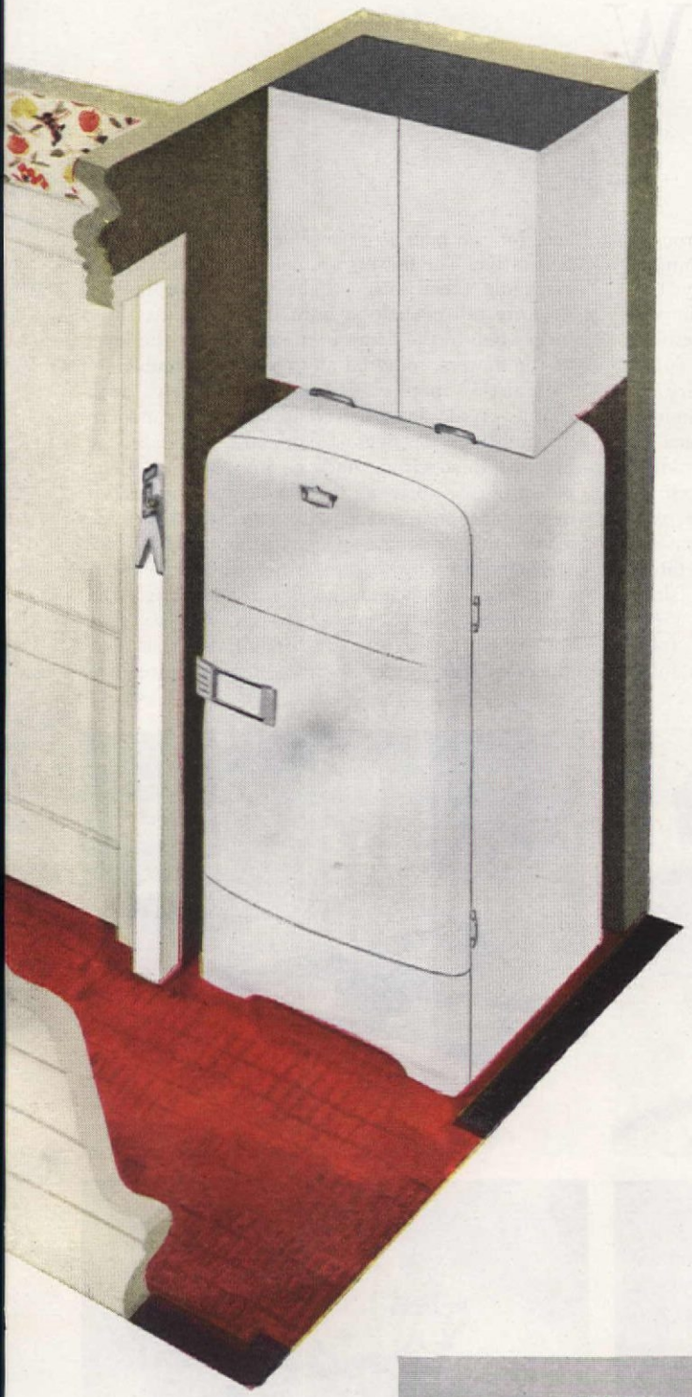
Modern 25 years ago, cabinets occupied one complete wall without offering accessible shelves or usable work surface. New steel cabinets, hung in cove fashion, bring each shelf within reach, allow ample space to work with good "under cabinet" lighting

Work surface was not lessened when freezer was placed in preparation center because Vinyl covering on tops is same. Ample space between wall and base cabinets keeps often-used appliances at hand. Shelf over range holds recipe file and radio

Drawing by Doris Wright

EDITH RAMSAY

Kitchen Switch





Photographs by B. Goodnow, Kranzten Studio

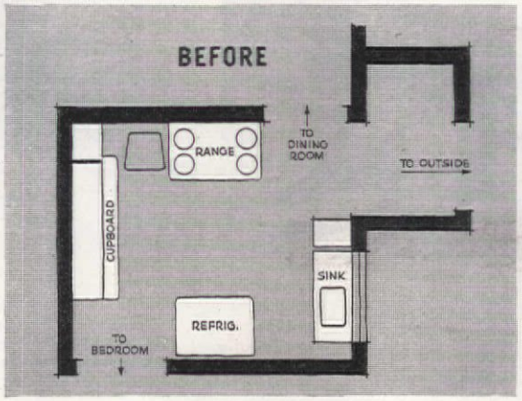
Many of us look at our antiquated, poorly arranged kitchens and then proceed to do a good day-dreaming job only. We have visions of shiny, new appliances, useful work surfaces and cabinets, splashy colors in paper and linoleum. And, more often than not, these visions remain just that until something rather momentous pushes us into spending those hard-earned dollars for a kitchen remodeling job. Not so with Mrs. Robert Dodge of Chicago. When she and Mr. Dodge bought a comfortable, twenty-five-year-old house, she realized that the very first room which needed revamping was the kitchen. Here she was with three youngsters and two adults to feed three times a day, plus the worry of keeping good help—small wonder she recognized the problems this inefficient kitchen would create for her!

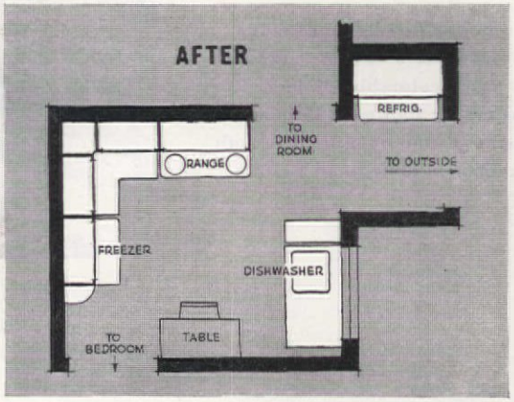
The kitchen was a small one, 7 x 9 feet, with three doors, so not much actual wall space was left; therefore, rearrangement of appliances was impossible. The essential problem was that of adding cabinets of the right height so that she could reach all shelves—the cabinets which were there reached to the ceiling, and petite Mrs. Dodge, unable to reach the high shelves, found it necessary to store small appliances in inconvenient places such as clothes closets and the attic. Of course, her small appliances were seldom used, for who wants to climb flights of stairs to the attic and return with a heavy mixer? There was no room for a breakfast table in the kitchen, and she was forced to serve each meal in the dining room.

After much discussion, the Dodges realized that a "switch" from the old-fashioned cabinets to modern, well-planned ones would do the job. Crosley's streamlined, well-insulated cabinets were their choice, and ambitious Mr. Dodge was able to do the installation job. The numerous adjustable shelves mean that Mrs. Dodge can place all kitchen equipment where she uses it most often, and still have a

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Imagine an efficient, complete kitchen from one so tiny and overpowered with appliances and bulky cabinets! Moving the refrigerator to another outlet made room for much-needed table





BETTY B. MERRIAM, Flower Arrangement

GERTRUDE BRASSARD, Table Setting

Place and Show

No wonder Mr. Shakespeare wrote so rapturously about the loveliness of approaching summer. Then, if ever, bloom the Oriental poppy, the purple iris, and pale columbine which, all primped up with pale pink candles, grace our table setting for this month. And hand in hand with the floral scheme we've placed lovely "Thistle" pottery in the new coupe shape. The blending of lavenders and pinks with dark green leaves on the china is an eyeful in these pictures, but even more striking on your table, besides being moderately priced.

Being a dual arrangement, this calls for a pair of containers which, when used together, form an S-curve and give a pleasant fluid line to the table center. Although the composition of each is similar, guests are treated to a front and back view at the same time. Poppy buds as well as full-blown flowers, are used here with their own foliage, for the buds in themselves are dramatic and decorative. The flowers are delicate, so we suggest arranging them with a light touch. Use candles that are tall enough to burn down at least three inches before the flame even comes near the level of the flowers, to avoid any chance of trouble.

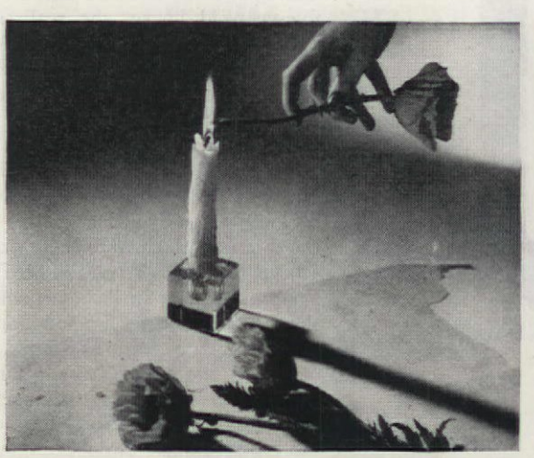
"Thistle" pottery is new and lovely, with simple, classic lines that blend with either modern or traditional settings. Colors are overglazed to protect them from fading and wearing. The bluish-purple color in the thistle was picked up in the place mat and napkin, and carried through in the amethyst glassware. "Stanton Hall," an Heirloom Sterling pattern, is new and exquisite in a lustrous oval shape, good for engraving. The back design is in complete harmony with the front and has an alternate space for initials. A slender, tapering table lighter completes the picture.

As soon as possible after cutting char about ½ inch of cut end of poppy stem in flame of candle or gas range, holding flower head away from and at right angles to flame

Condition poppies thoroughly by standing them up to their heads in water. Before inserting in pin holder, burn stem ends each time they are cut to insure freshness

Put candles and pin holder in place. Start arrangement with poppy buds; swing them out away from candles in the direction of the companion piece

Add poppy flowers and foliage and lavender iris, keeping some low; then columbine in loose clusters for lightness. Repeat in second container and use both together on table in an S-curve









Dinnerware, "Thistle"—Stangl Pottery. Amethyst Stack-a-way Set, salad plate, "Aurora" goblet and candy dish—Cambridge Glass. "Stanton Hall" Heirloom Sterling—Oneida, Ltd. Place mat and napkin —A. Katz. "Juno" Lighter—Ronson. Ceramic flower containers—Peggy Prudden. Candles—Will and Baumer. Photographs by F. M. Demarest









Four Lessons in



Photographs by Hans VanNes

FOR THE TRADITIONAL ROOM. The large floral and all-over pattern are frankly reworked from 18th Century designs. But their handling gives them a distinctly 1951 look. The small matchstick design completing the group is a novel approach and a refreshing change from the usual solid color. The big bouquet is spaced for centering on seat and back cushions of sofa and lounge chair. The all-over floral cuts to advantage for tall-backed or wide-seated pieces. Printed on sturdy sailcloth, all fabrics are 49 inches wide, colorfast, and washable. By Riverdale Mfg. Co., all about $2.29 a yard in several colors. Blue welt cord about 10¢, chartreuse 20¢ a yard, Consolidated Trimming Corp. Tureen around $13.25, at House of Italian Handicrafts. IDEA—Over a floor-length ruffled skirt, a drop skirt of plain material, scalloped and bound in two contrasting welt cords. Use these same weltings, one narrow and the other average size, to outline the form of the chair.



FOR THE CONTEMPORARY ROOM. Here both the solid and the printed fabrics are done on textured cloths, rightly approved for looks and wear. The wheat stack with panoramic farm scene running the full width of the material would be striking used on the inside of love seat or sofa, the outside done in one of the plain fabrics. The tweedy-looking fabric is a print so skillfully done that it looks woven. It has just what's needed to go with the wheat pattern. All these materials come in several colors, can be worked in many combinations because they tie together. Vat-dyed, they are all about 47 inches wide. Solids are around $2.25 a yard, wheat pattern, $2.75, the tweed, $2.69. By Charles Bloom. Alva reproduction of St. Fiacre from Mary Ryan, about $7.50.
IDEA—Appliqué wheat pattern to back and seat cushion of lounge chair slip cover in a solid color. Use same material to cover thick cord for welting to give chair tailored, substantial look. Kick pleats at corners only keep it trim-lined.

FOR MORE ABOUT SLIP COVERS YOU CAN MAKE, SEE PAGE 126

GERTRUDE BROOKS DIXSON

Close Harmony

There's something to sing about in these gay new slip-cover fabrics deftly designed and colored to keep steady company together



FOR THE PROVINCIAL ROOM. The fabric used for the two stylized prints simulates an old hand-woven linen. Spatter-dash over the moderately scaled plaid is intriguing and fresh. It's also a little bold to use in large quantities. Long-familiar motifs of birds and beasts, hearts and flowers are scaled, spaced and drawn in modern technique. It retains its provincial feeling, so use it freely. Both are in vat dyes on 47-inch pre-shrunk fabric. Around $2.80 a yard. They are made in nine different background colors, with matching 50-inch linen for each at $3.50 a yard. All by Golding Bros. Hand-carved wooden apple, about $20.25; candlestick, $3.00; straw hen, $5.50; at House of Italian Handicrafts. Tassel fringe, Consolidated Trimming Corp. about 50¢ a yard.

IDEA—Instead of the inevitable ruffle, finish off your slip cover with washable cotton fringe. Use muslin panel under chair seat, zipper cover to it. Welt in same color as fringe. Smartly simple for chair with good lines.



FOR THE MODERN ROOM. Further proof that a room can hold more than one pattern. Here again, a large-scaled design is companioned with a smaller one in the same colors and same character. Made to be used together, they give a room unity without monotony. The all-cotton 47-inch-wide fabric on which they're printed is woven with a rough texture. There are several colors, all of them keyed to modern. Both are about $2.50 a yard. The black and white glosheen is 36 inches wide, $1.98 a yard. A washable heavy-duty sateen, it looks like chintz, comes in some 25 combinations in two and three colors. All materials are from Waverly Fabrics. Poodle from House of Italian Handicrafts, about $25.75. Modern black plastic bowl by Spencer Smilie, about $3.00.

IDEA—To give body as well as effect, quilt black and white stripe, use for inside back and seat cushion. Use fabric unquilted for balance of slip cover. Welt in black. Cut bottom in key pattern three stripes wide. Longest section should be white-black-white combination to be most effective against black sateen underskirt.

Child's Play — make it yourself!



DOROTHY LAMBERT TRUMM

A fifteen-year-old boy, Mel Searls, Jr., was responsible for the building and completion of this wonderful little playhouse! His young sister Ann had been after her father to make one for her, but it seemed as if he just never got around to it, so one day young Mr. Mel decided to do it. He drew up plans for a 6-by-6-foot playhouse, showed them to his father, who figured he couldn't have done better himself, and the project was under way.

As you can see, the construction is very simple, and Lietta's painted designs on the outside lift it right out of the ordinary. Mel Jr. used asbestos-cement flat sheets, which are fireproof and rodentproof, easy to handle, and require no painting. Indoors there are full-length seats on either side, which can double as cots by adding soft pads. A hinged table is placed just below the center back window for games or little tea parties. Windows are shatterproof, with checked curtains for sprightliness and gay pictures on the walls. Built on skids, it can easily be moved around the yard and is fine for storing summer outdoor furniture.

Patterns for Lietta's painted designs are available by mail from THE AMERICAN HOME: No. 1343—40¢; No. 1344—50¢; No. 1368—60¢. For complete descriptions, see pattern order form on page 134. You may obtain free plans for making the playhouse from a lumber dealer in your vicinity, or the Asbestos-Cement Products Assn., 509 Madison Ave, New York, N. Y.

Photographs by F. M. Demarest and W. W. Hennessy



Sheathing or plywood on 2 x 4 skids is floor and foundation of playhouse. The skids permit shifting the house around the yard. Frames of sides are built as separate units. Ann was the job inspector



Far Right: Asbestos-cement flat sheets cut to size were fastened to frames with nails that have lead heads to seal the nail holes. Completed sides were nailed to floor



With sides and roof rafters in place, Mel Jr. here slips louver slats into framing. On sides the edges of the asbestos-cement sheets are lapped for weathertightness. Center back window is a hinged barn sash. Other windows are fixed panes of glass



Far Right: Roof of asbestos-cement flat sheets. Windows trimmed with metal, but wood could be used. Wood-trimmed roof ridge and corners

SOUP BALANCES YOUR MEALS

...AND HELPS BALANCE YOUR BUDGET



A *thrifty* LUNCH *you'll enjoy!*

It's built around a really hearty soup—beef noodle: a homey beef stock simply crammed with tender, nourishing noodles.

Beef Noodle Soup
Scalloped Potatoes **Buttered Carrots**
Grapefruit and Strawberry Salad

LUNCH *with so much... for so little*

our main dish here is clam chowder—tasty, tangy am broth with chopped clams, tomatoes, diced tatoes, and other vegetables. It's just "made" to with a menu like this one pictured below:

Clam Chowder
Asparagus au Gratin
Sliced Cucumbers and Onion Rings
Jelly Roll





ANNE MARSHALL
Director Home Economics
Campbell Soup Company

Lunches and Suppers built around Soup can be substantial, yet thrifty

BY Anne Marshall

So appetizing, as well as so easily digested, soup is a welcome aid to meal planning. Every heart-warming bowlful you serve adds nourishment and also helps vary your meals delightfully. There are many hearty soups which are almost a meal in themselves.

Next time you want to make a meal more complete, or give it a special lift, remember your list of delicious soups. Will it be vegetable-beef, Scotch broth, cream of chicken, chicken noodle, cream of mushroom, to name but a few?

Good Soup is Good Value

In these days of increased living costs, *good soup stands out as good value*—both in your budget and in nutrition.

Practically everything we buy now costs far more than it used to. Naturally this means we must all spend our food dollars well. No wonder so many value-wise women are now serving soup more and more as a main dish. It's such a wonderful help for meals and budgets.

Soup—a Favorite Everywhere

Yes, *every* day, *every* month 27 million people sit down to soup for lunch. And more than 15 million enjoy soup for supper. Imagine it! So why not do as women everywhere are doing? Keep a supply of your favorite soups on the pantry shelf—use them often to balance your meals and help balance your budget.



FAMILY SUPPER

...easy to eat...easy on the budget!

It features chicken with rice soup—a rich, gleaming broth, with fine, fluffy rice and plenty of tender pieces of chicken.

Chicken with Rice Soup
Baked Stuffed Tomatoes **Garden Salad**
Plums







FRUIT:

For Goodness Sake

ONE OF THE 7 BASIC FOODS

Once upon a time, when the earth was taking shape, Mother Nature must have suspected that her children were going to develop a sweet tooth. As far as we know, the story of fruit started with Eve. Centuries ago, in the first recorded beauty contest in mythology, "golden apples" were bestowed by Paris on the winner. It's a far cry from the fabled courts of ancient Persia to the present day, but the story of fruit remains just as important, and then some. We, today, have an abundance of fruit at our fingertips that would make the old-timers pop their eyes in amazement. The modern miracles of food distribution and preparation allow us to feast as never before on the goodness of Earth's choicest fruits whenever we choose.

Here you see some of the fruits that are readily available to one and all. Let's look at the salads: golden pineapple stuffed with cottage cheese, pineapple cubes and chopped nuts, then a gelatin ring filled with diced fruit to be topped with a rich fruit-mayonnaise dressing. Also the dried fruit salad, prunes and apricots stuffed with seasoned cream cheese, and finally, the avocado holding a thick French dressing. Feast your eyes on fruit-filled cookies, a wonderful confection made with dried fruits and coconut, a delicate lime meringue pie, and three

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recipe

Fruit Rice Cream...a brilliant success with Canned Fruit Cocktail from California

Fruit Rice Cream

1½ cups canned fruit cocktail
½ cup whipping cream
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
½ teaspoon grated lemon rind
1 cup cold cooked rice

Drain fruit cocktail thoroughly. Whip cream until stiff. Gradually beat in sugar. Blend in lemon juice, rind and rice. Fold in fruit cocktail. Serve well chilled. Garnish top with additional fruit cocktail, if desired. Serves 5 to 6.

Pleasant surprise! Dinner starts tonight with a sparkling fruit cocktail. Takes only a minute because it's spooned right from the can! Five lovely sun-ripened fruits beautifully prepared and perfectly delicious. The best of everything! Luscious golden-yellow California cling peaches, pears, pineapple, cherries, and grapes. A fruit blend you can use in 100 exciting ways: desserts, salads, gelatins, and baking. Fruit cocktail is party-special with company and home-folk alike. Nice to have several cans handy!

Cling Peach Advisory Board





Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia, master apple grower

Senator Byrd—Apple Grower De luxe

Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia is the largest apple grower in the world. His great love of the soil and the out-of-doors led him to buy his first orchard in 1906. Here he began his work with apple trees, first planting, then pruning and spraying them himself. Later on he helped pick the apples from their branches in the fall. As his orchards spread over more and more acres in Virginia, he experimented with new fertilizers and chemical sprays to improve both the quality and quantity of his apples. Developing new ideas on seed pollination and grafting, Senator Byrd now has single trees which bear as many as 15 to 20 different varieties.

But of all his many accomplishments with this delicious fruit, the Senator speaks with the warmest pride about the trees he personally planted in 1906, which are still bearing fruit. The average life of an apple tree is 50 years, and the average yield is about 20 bushels, yet one of his forty-year-old trees once yielded 107 bushels with several others close behind.

Nearby there are packing, storing, and canning plants which distribute the Senator's products all over the world, in both fresh and processed form. Apples, however, are much more than a business to him. He gets a great deal of pleasure and pride in just growing them, and still makes the drive from Washington to his orchards whenever he can.

Although he refrigerates his apples at 30°F., the Senator says if they're kept at a temperature not higher than 40°F. they will last for two to four weeks, whereas at a higher temperature they are



• hints on apples

Note: There are many varieties of apples, and your choice depends on the availability of apples during the year. We think of apples as either good for eating or good for baking. Some are good for both. The thing to remember about apples is that they are adaptable. Breakfast, luncheon, dinner, and in-between-meals find the apple very much at home. Baking an apple in itself is an art and here we give you a few additional suggestions on how to vary your apple-baking results.

likely to start showing signs of decay much sooner.

True to southern tradition, he often starts his busy day with a breakfast of fried apples. Recipes for some of his other favorite ways of eating them are shown on the following page. THE AMERICAN HOME



• apple bread stuffing

MENU

Pineapple Wedges with Powdered Sugar

Roast Duck with Apple Bread Stuffing
String Beans Mashed Turnips
Celery, Olives, Carrot Strips
Floating Island
Coffee Cream, Sugar

Note: A balanced meal that combines texture, flavor, food values, and still gives pleasure in eating takes time and creative planning on the part of the homemaker. We hope that our suggestions help —in helping you.

New! Sponge Surprise!

TOASTY 'N LUSCIOUS WITH BAKER'S COCONUT!

From your first mouth-watering glimpse, this new coconut dessert is one delicious discovery after another!

First, sink your spoon through its golden-brown topping—so crunchy and crisp with toasted Baker's Coconut.

Then through a cloud bank of sponge cake—to a fluff of lemon custard, laced with tender, moist Baker's Coconut!

Heaven to eat, *magic* to make—serve it tonight! Use Baker's Coconut to glorify other puddings, too!

COCONUT SPONGE SURPRISE

2 tablespoons butter
1 cup sugar
4 egg yolks
⅓ cup lemon juice
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
¼ teaspoon salt
¾ cup Baker's Coconut, cut
2 tablespoons flour
1 cup milk
4 egg whites

Cream butter, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks and beat well. Add lemon juice, rind, and salt, blending well. Fold in coconut and flour; then stir in milk. Beat egg whites until stiff and fold into lemon mixture. Pour mixture into greased 10 x 6-inch baking dish or 1½-quart casserole. Set in pan of hot water and bake in moderate oven (375°F.) 35 to 40 minutes. Chill if desired. Garnish servings with whipped cream and toasted coconut. Makes 8 servings.

Tropical Fruit Mold. Dissolve 1 package Raspberry Jell-O in 1½ cups hot water. Add ½ cup orange juice. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in 1 orange, sectioned and diced; 10 dates, cut; and ¾ cup Baker's Coconut. Turn into ring molds and chill until firm. Unmold. Fill centers with whipped cream. Garnish with more coconut and whipped cream-filled dates.

Springtime Tapioca. Make Jell-O Chocolate Tapioca Pudding as directed on package. Top with whipped cream and Baker's Coconut, tinted green.

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PREMIUM SHRED · SWEETENED
Turns budget cakes into luscious beauties!
BAKER'S COCONUT
Southern Style



SPRING TONIC

Every morning starts off bright when you set each breakfast-place with Dole Pineapple Juice! Here's a healthful, Hawaiian-style "spring tonic"—for it's field-ripened in the Islands, sweetened only by the sun! Serve it chilled and cheery in the a. m., *and* any thirsty afternoon!

Enjoy Springtime



FLOWER SHOW SALAD★

Even your salads can blossom out with a breath of Spring! Make yours a bed of cottage cheese, with "flower petals" of almond-stuffed dates—centered with a plump Dole Pineapple Chunk. Bank the dish gaily with more Dole Chunks—true Hawaiian pineapple works such charm on appetites!

with DOLE



FRUIT COCKTAIL COOLER★

Dream dessert—and it's easy to do! Scoop servings of raspberry sherbet, and spoon on Dole Fruit Cocktail—the five-flavor treat that's blended to your taste from whole and flawless fruit! Crown the sherbet with a mint candy, a merry cherry from the Cocktail!

★ By *Patricia Collier,* DOLE Home Economist
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• hints on apples

(File under "Fruits")

HI-HAT BAKED APPLES: Core apples; do not pare. Set in baking dish. Pour 2 tablespoons light corn syrup into each apple and sprinkle with cinnamon and nutmeg, or put a small piece of stick cinnamon in each. Pour ½ cup water into pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°F.), 30 to 40 minutes, or until tender, basting occasionally. Chill. Serve topped with a spoonful of ***Honey Meringue:*** Sprinkle ¼ teaspoon nutmeg on unbeaten egg white. Beat until stiff. Add 3 tablespoons honey a little at a time, while continuing to beat.

BAKED APPLES FLORIDA: Core large tart apples, being careful not to cut completely through. Hollow out, leaving shell about ⅓ inch thick. Chop the pulp, measure, combine with equal amount of canned mincemeat. Add 1 tablespoon dark corn syrup for each apple. Fill apple shells with this mixture. Place in baking pan. Pour 1 cup orange juice into pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) 45 minutes, basting frequently with the orange juice in pan.

GLAZED BAKED APPLES: Core apples. Pare skin about a third of the way down. For 6 to 8 apples, boil together for 5 minutes 1 cup sugar and 1 cup water; pour over apples in baking dish. Bake uncovered in moderate oven (375°F.) 25 to 30 minutes or until almost tender, basting frequently with syrup from bottom of pan. Remove from oven. Sprinkle peeled surface of each apple with lime juice and a little sugar. Slip under the broiler about 4 inches from the heat. Sprinkle frequently with sugar and baste with syrup while broiling until apples are glazed, about 15 minutes.

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Byrd's Apples (Begins on page 54)

is proud to introduce its readers to Virginia's Senator Harry F. Byrd, whose work with apples has added so much to our enjoyment of the fruits of this earth.

• apple bread stuffing

(File under "Poultry")
Makes 5 cups

2 cups tart apples, chopped
5 cups soft bread crumbs
½ cup seedless raisins
2 tablespoons butter, melted
¼ cup sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon salt
¼ cup apple juice

Combine all ingredients. Mix well. Use to stuff pork shoulder or duck.

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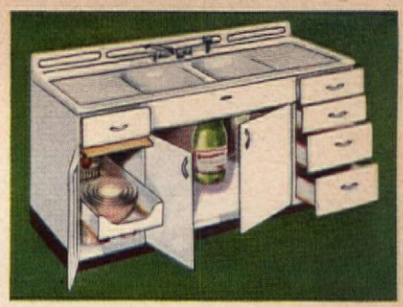
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JEAN AUSTIN

Good Victuals
ON SHORT ORDER

DEFINITELY NOT EASY, it is nonetheless possible to have distinguished food when the clock says five and nothing's in the oven. There is no reason for not always having an ace in the hole—one refrigerator ice tray of ice cream, sherbet, or frozen dessert, made and kept for emergency use only. Browned creamed carrots or carrots rolled in chopped parsley or mint make the same old broiled lamb chops or pan-fried hamburgers seem a lot fancier than the usual boiled-buttered-and-served-up variety. A brown sugar, vinegar, and nutmeg syrup over string beans takes very little more time, adds a lot in flavor. Instead of thinking always of quick cuts of meat, why not something different now and then—mushrooms *flambé* for instance. Just as quick, twice as glamorous, and half as expensive. A salmon loaf is handsome, too—and quick as all get-out. A can of salmon, pie mix, and a cucumber to slice—could anything be simpler? And still another tack—have your old familiar "quickie" main course but make the dessert the *pièce de résistance*—and have I ever got a very, very special one for you this month! You grab up a package

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SALMON IN A BLANKET



GÂTEAU ROYALE

• browned creamed carrots

Cook 4 cups sliced carrots with 1 tsp. sugar in boiling water or chicken consommé 10–15 min. Do not overcook! Drain. Melt and brown 4 tbs. butter. Add carrots and simmer slowly for several minutes. Sprinkle with salt, pepper.

Remove from heat, add ½ cup cream. Move pan about to thoroughly mix. Put in serving dish, sprinkle with a dash of nutmeg and serve immediately.

• string beans—sweet and sour sauce

Wash, string, break in half and cook 1½ lbs. string beans in just enough boiling salted water to cover (12 or 15 min.). Drop a few in at a time so that water does not stop boiling. Drain (save liquid for future soup or sauce use) and cool.

Make a syrup of:
- ½ cup vinegar
- ½ cup butter
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. pepper
- ¼ tsp. nutmeg

Pour over cooked beans, bring to a boil, and serve.

Recipes by Jean Austin



MUSHROOMS FLAMBÉ

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BANANA PEANUT BRITTLE ICE CREAM

Good Victuals (Begins on page 59)

of pound cake, a box of vanilla custard pudding, a small can of apple sauce. You rush home and before many more minutes past five, you have a beautiful *gâteau,* unbelievably delicate, exquisite to taste. When crossing on the French or Italian lines, my favorite desserts were the exquisitely fragile-looking *gâteaux.* I would think about the pastry chef, deep down in the bowels of the ship, slaving over these beautiful creations, and I don't doubt he did. Little would I have believed then such lovely creations could ever, under any circumstances, be done as a "quickie." But here it is—my own invention and you'll be as mad about it as I am, I know. And, if I weren't so earnestly convinced that it's needed here for the last-minute shopper and five-o'clock cook, I'd have kept it and put it all by itself, across the whole page, that all might note and admire it as gourmet stuff before they learned it is a quickie right out of the shopping bag. Do try it. It is a distinguished dessert.

If I have set your thinking on quick dinners in a new groove, I shall be delighted. Over and over again, in these columns, I have said that the slowies were easy, the quickie meal the hardest on the cook. But comes a time in every woman's week when it's just got to be dinner-by-the-clock. And those meals, besides being a last-minute rush in the kitchen, are all too often the poorest meals as well as the most expensive meals of the week. I beg you, therefore, to make one item on the menu a specially good thing. It can be a tray of dessert that's extra-fine and made when you had a bit of time on your hands. It can be a switch from the familiar meats to special things that pique eye or palate or, it can be the vegetables—the same old vegetables but served differently. Just so there is *one* distinctive course or item—*please, ma'am!*

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• gâteau royale

Follow cooking directions on 1 pkg. of vanilla custard pudding, substituting ¼–½ cream for liquid stated on package. Cook with peel of 1 lemon, cutting around lemon to make one long curl. Cool with peel, taking out just before flavoring with rum or sherry to taste.

Cut 1 plain pound cake in slices ¼" thick. Place on a serving dish, making layers of as many slices as desired. Prick each layer of cake slices with fork. Sprinkle lightly with rum or sherry. Spread with apple sauce. Continue with layers, leaving apple sauce off top layer.

Pour cold custard over it. Sprinkle top with shaved almonds. Chill. (Leftovers will keep several days if kept cold, and I have frozen it successfully.)

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- 4 tbsps. butter
- 1½ cups graham cracker crumbs
- ½ cup chopped walnuts
- 18 marshmallows
- 4 slices DEL MONTE Brand Pineapple
- ⅓ cup syrup drained from pineapple
- Whipped cream, if desired

Cut butter into crumbs; mix with nutmeats. Turn into buttered 8x8" baking dish. Dip marshmallows in syrup from pineapple; place on crumb mixture. Pour remaining syrup over dish. Place in low temperature broiler, 5" or more from heat, and slowly brown marshmallows. Arrange pineapple slices on top; brush lightly with melted butter. Replace in broiler about 5 min. to heat pineapple slices. Serve while warm with whipped, sweetened cream. Serves 4.

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Kitchen Switch (Begins on page 44)

place for extra-large pans, an electric roaster, or iron Dutch oven.

This couple realizes that much of the family's life centers around the kitchen, and that gay, attractive colors can do much to create the proper background. With the constant problem of little fingerprints here and there, the Dodges chose a Varlar stainproof wall covering—a deep olive green under the molding, then a gay fruit pattern with red dominating in color. A warm yellow repeats the color in the linoleum covering on counter tops.

The result shows how a mere "kitchen switch," involving little money, can make an inefficient kitchen into efficiency personified!



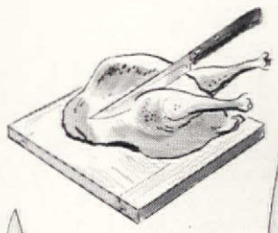
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It was necessary to plan for storage of the baby's high chair, so cabinets were not brought closer to the door. The chair is out of the way, but can be drawn to the table when family gathers round

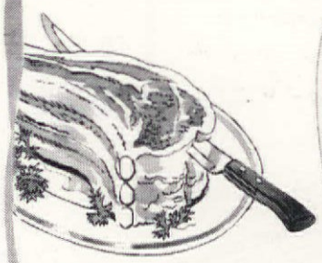


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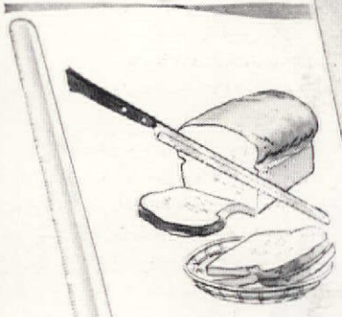
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Day

ELEANOR LEE JONES

There are a lot of responsible, nine-to-five jobs which take a powerful amount of concentration. Being a good housewife, homemaker, housekeeper, or whatever happens to be the fashionable title for wife and mother today is, in our opinion, a bigger job than all the others put together. And we know, from personal experience, that a smart head often saves many a tired foot!

Last month we proved that laundry can be done with great efficiency and ease if facilities are arranged in a practical way. This time we'd like to show you how well-planned application of your energy can produce a perfectly cleaned refrigerator, all defrosted, slick as a whistle, with everything arranged for your convenience —and in quick time, too. We also suggest, with pictures, how you can make elegant, tempting dishes from many small quantities of food which have been left over from previous meals. "Planovers" we call them—instead of "leftovers"—since in this case we made definite plans to use the remainder when food was bought.

The defrosting job and preparation of several planovers should take only part of a morning,

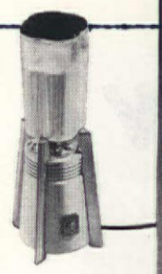
SERVE AS GLAMOROUS "PLANOVERS"

for today's refrigerators are built and finished so that they're easy to clean. When foods are being stored in the frozen-food compartment, it's best to use the speedy way of defrosting so that they can be returned to the compartment before they have had a chance to thaw out. To prevent thawing during the brief defrosting period, a good tip is to wrap frozen foods in several thicknesses of newspaper. With this quick method, the temperature control is turned to the "off" position, then a pan of hot water is placed in the freezer compartment. The frost begins to melt rapidly and is collected in a large pan under the freezing unit.

If no foods are being stored in the freezing compartment, the regular defrosting method may be used. Temperature control is set in the "defrost" position the night before, and, in some refrigerators, the unit will automatically turn on after the defrosting is completed.

The best time to clean the refrigerator is while it is being defrosted. All shelves, trays, meat holder, vegetable and fruit drawers should be removed and washed in warm, soapy water, then rinsed in clear lukewarm water and dried thoroughly. To prevent food odors, wash refrigerator interior with a solution of baking soda and lukewarm water, using two tablespoons of

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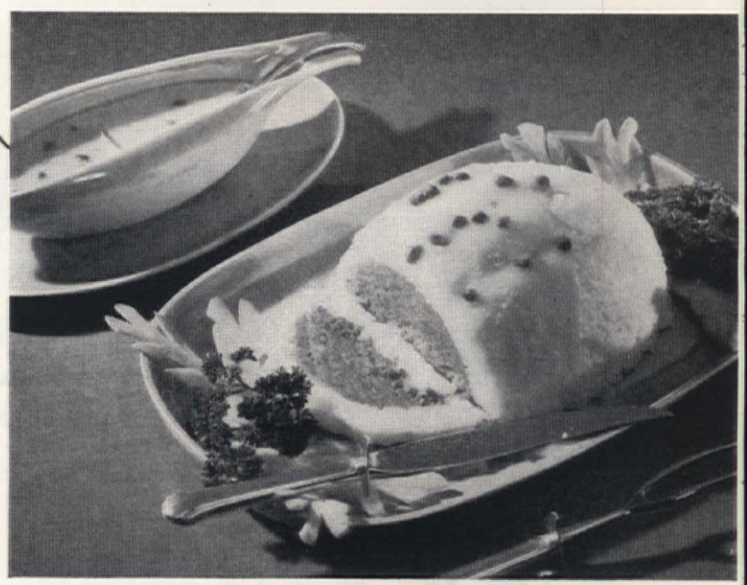


Cucumber skin and all goes right into blender to make a savory cucumber soup. Use leftover chicken broth as base, or blend cream-sauce ingredients with cucumber in blender. Cook until thick





Two cups of ground meat amply serves a family of eight! We use meat grinder attachment on mixer. Season filling with favorite herbs, bind with egg and crumbs. Surround with fluffy rice in melon mold. Steam, top with tangy caper sauce





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Tomato wedges
Strips of ham and cheese

Cut olives from pits into large pieces. Break assorted greens into bite-sized pieces in large bowl. Sprinkle with olives and onions. Toss thoroughly with oil. Add vinegar, season with salt and pepper and toss again. Garnish with tomato wedges and strips of cheese and ham. Serves 4 or 5.

More ideas for tasty dishes with ripe olives are yours for the asking. Write for free booklet of Elegant Ripe Olive Recipes: Olive Advisory Board, Dept. A-5, 16 Beale St., San Francisco 5, California.

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Fruit: For Goodness Sake

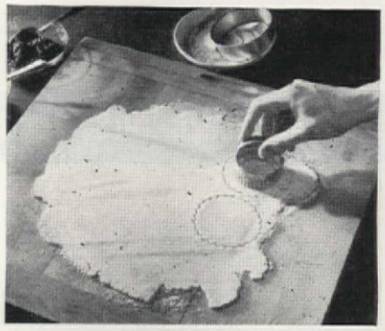
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shortcakes, light and luscious, and all superb. Finally, fruit juices, some *au naturel,* some mixed, all delicious and full of vitamins.

Fruits themselves are the seed-bearing parts of plants. As they ripen they become rich enough in sugar to taste sweet. Excepting the banana and prune, about 80 to 90 per cent of their total weight is water. Fruits contain carbohydrates, mineral elements, vitamins, and fruit acids. Because these elements are important in the diet, fruit should occupy a prominent place in your food planning. When your local grocer features a so-called "bargain fruit," regard it with a steely eye. Often they are over-ripe, slightly deteriorated or of generally poor quality. Such a "buy" becomes a total loss before it ever reaches the table, but in many cases it can be used for cooking. The largest size, incidentally, doesn't necessarily mean it's the best quality. Citrus fruits with thick skins, pithiness, and a lack of juice are in many cases the largest. Smaller sizes will be somewhat lower-priced and give you more value. Blemishes don't always affect the fruit, so keep in mind what you're going to use it for. Briefly, here are six major points to remember: buy in season whenever possible; keep in mind what you're going to use it for; choose your fruits personally; purchase in small quantities, unless you have proper storage; learn to judge fruit by its appearance, odor, and weight; be wary of bargains.

Fresh fruits are perishable and should have great care if you don't want to waste them. Before refrigerating, they should be removed from bag or box and those which are to be eaten unpeeled should be washed. Treat them gently. Pears, peaches, grapes, and other "soft" fruits are best kept in a very humid atmosphere at a temperature of 42° F. The hydrator in your refrigerator is perfect for this. Citrus fruits, pineapple, and berries take the same temperature although the humidity should be less. Cantaloupes are best preserved in temperatures near 60° F., with fairly high humidity. Room temperature is best for bananas, which become dis-

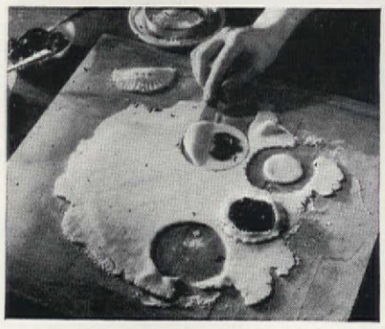
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1. For the open-face type of filled cooky, cut 2 rounds for each cooky with a cooky cutter. Remove center from one round with a smaller cutter, to make the ring for cooky top



2. Put a teaspoonful of the date or fig filling on the larger round and top with the remaining cooky dough ring. Press edges together slightly, put on a greased cooky sheet and bake



3. "Pocketbooks" require just one round per cooky. Put a teaspoonful of date or fig filling on one side and fold the other side over. Press edges together with fork dipped in flour. Pierce top with fork to allow steam to escape



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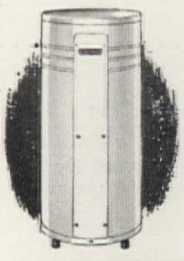
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Fruit

(Begins on page 52)

colored when refrigerated. Apples take on odors quickly, so should be kept far from strong-odored foods. Prepare fruit salads near serving time to avoid discoloring and vitamin-loss.

Fruit juices are a wonderful contribution to health and happiness. Prepared in the home from fresh fruits or purchased in the market in either canned or frozen form, they are extremely popular. Combine them, too, to make unusual flavors. Try partially frozen juices with a meat course; baste a baking ham with pineapple juice; mix fruit juices with salad dressings or dessert sauces.

Canned fruits give you the pick of the crop all year round. Standard quality will do as well for cooking as the fancier kinds. Each can is labeled Fancy, Choice, or Standard, with information on whether the syrup is extra-heavy, heavy or medium. "Water-packed" means that there is no syrup.

Quick-freezing of fruits is done so rapidly that the fruit cells are not affected by the ice particles. Flavor and freshness are held up to par and the food values are unimpaired. Frozen fruits, having been cleaned and processed before freezing, present no problem of waste. They are generally packed in heavy syrup, ready to make a host of good things. When you buy frozen fruits, the labels will indicate what the package contains, the number of servings, and how to prepare. Always store frozen foods in the refrigerator's freezing chest. Once thawed, they should not be refrozen.

Dried fruits are generally lower in cost than either fresh, frozen, or canned products. They are an excellent concentrated food and may be eaten without any preparation other than rinsing in water. Rich in nutritive values, they have intense fruit flavors. When cooked, they increase two to three times in bulk. In the last few years, the dried fruit industry has perfected new methods in the processing of natural fruits which eliminates having to soak the dried fruit before cooking. You'll find that cooked fruits become more plump and flavorful if allowed to stand in the liquid several hours after cooking. Store dried fruits in a covered container and place in a cool, dry spot to prevent deterioration.

And there you are. Fruit, one of the "7 Basic" foods, is a keystone of your meal planning. The nutritional values found in fruit play a large part in the well-balanced diet. You may be one of those who staunchly defend the apple as the most popular of all fruits; then again, some of you may wave the flag for oranges. But when you come to think of it, there are so many varieties of these natural bounties we should be thankful for all and let it go at that.

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Fruit: For Goodness Sake

(Begins on page 52)

• fruit juices



Note: Coffee, tea, and milk are the beverages we think of first when we plan our menu. But beverages to us go beyond these to include all kinds of drinks that are healthy and good too. Using the juice from canned fruit in milk drinks gives flavor and a change of pace and also uses your fresh or frozen fruit juices. We have indicated on the reverse side of this card fruit juices in combinations that are tasty, attractive, and appealing for many occasions. Served in tall glasses on hot summer afternoons, or as a starter to the meal as a cocktail, these suggestions lend themselves delightfully.

• lime meringue pie



MENU

Mixed Fruit Juice Cocktail
Liver and Bacon
Stuffed Baked Potatoes
Creamed Onions
Perfection Salad—Sour Cream Dressing
Lime Pie
Coffee Cream, Sugar

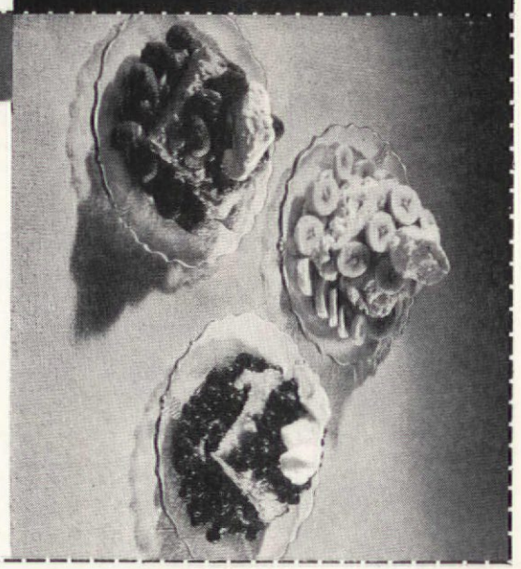
Note: Lemon meringue pie has always been a family favorite—but have you ever tried lime meringue pie instead? It's delicious and makes a pleasant change in meal planning.

• fruit salads



Note: Salad plays a very important part in our diet, and has become almost a must in our meal planning. The texture is a relief from the more solid and soft foods that we eat. The minerals and vitamins they give are important, too. Make salads pleasing to eat, but also attractive to look at. Try different types of dressings to give variation to the salads you serve. We have touched on a few suggestions here, using fruits in salads. We have been casual and simple in our combinations.

• fruit shortcakes



MENU

Consommé
Stewed Chicken with Dumplings
Buttered Beets Stuffed Celery
Prune and Apricot Salad—Thick French Dressing
Fresh Berry Shortcake
Coffee Cream, Sugar

Note: The old reliable shortcake recipe served piping hot with chilled crushed fruit is the perfect topper to your favorite meal. Any fruit, fresh, frozen, or canned, can be used. Why not experiment?

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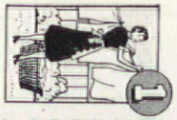
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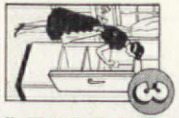
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Fruit: For Goodness Sake

• fruit salads

(File under "Salads")

PINEAPPLE-COTTAGE CHEESE: Cut pineapple in half lengthwise. Hollow out centers of both halves, and dice this fruit. Combine 1 quart cottage cheese with the diced pineapple, 1 cup chopped nutmeats, and 1 bunch watercress, chopped. Bind with mayonnaise, if desired. Fill pineapple shells with the cottage cheese mixture; garnish with nuts and fruit, and serve on salad greens. *Serves 4.*

FILLING FOR DRIED FRUIT: Blend cream cheese with enough pineapple juice or other fruit juice to make a creamy paste. Add finely chopped nuts and chopped candied ginger. Fill pitted steamed fruit with mixture, and serve on greens.

FRUIT GELATIN SALAD: Follow directions on package for making fruit gelatin. Use a ring mold. To enhance the flavor of gelatin, use fruit juices as part of the liquid, as well as the fruit itself. Fill the center of a ring mold with a combination of fruits—fresh, frozen or canned—used in the gelatin and serve with your favorite dressing.

DRESSING FOR AVOCADO: Combine ⅔ cup sugar, 1 teaspoon celery seed, 1 teaspoon salt, ¼ cup lemon juice, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, ⅓ cup chili sauce, 1 tablespoon onion, grated. Add gradually 1 cup oil, beating thoroughly with a rotary beater or electric mixer. Add 2 cloves garlic and store in a cool place.

MOLDED GRAPEFRUIT: Arrange grapefruit sections and strips of pimiento alternately in the bottom of individual molds. Fill with unflavored gelatin, to which has been added a few grains of salt and a small amount of grapefruit juice for part of the water. Chill until firm; unmold on lettuce and serve with mayonnaise.

• fruit shortcakes

(File under "Desserts")
Serves 4

2 cups flour, sifted
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 tablespoon sugar
½ teaspoon salt
5 tablespoons butter
1 egg, well beaten
¾ to ¾ cup milk
Whipped cream for topping

Sift together the flour, baking powder, sugar and salt. Cut in the butter with pastry blender or two silver knives until the consistency of corn meal. Combine ⅔ cup milk and the well-beaten egg. Add to dry ingredients and butter, and stir only until dry ingredients are moistened. If necessary, add more milk. However, batter should be rough and stiff. Put into greased square cake pan and bake in hot oven (425°F.) 15 to 20 minutes, or until brown on top. When still warm, cut in four squares and then cut each fourth in half between the top and bottom, and spread with butter. Between layers and on top put crushed and sweetened strawberries, blueberries, or sliced bananas which have been dipped in orange juice to keep them from turning brown. Top with whipped cream. Other fruit suggestions are: raspberries, oranges, peaches, apricots.

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• fruit juices

(File under "Beverages")

Any of the canned, frozen, or fresh fruit juices may be served as is. However, to dress them up a bit, here are some suggestions. All recipes make 2 cups, enough for 4 cocktails.

1. *Minted Pineapple Juice:* Add 1 teaspoon spearmint extract to 2 cups of pineapple juice. Tint with green food coloring, chill, garnish with a sprig of mint and serve.
2. Add ½ cup cranberry juice to 1½ cups apricot nectar. Chill and serve.
3. Combine 1 cup of chilled grape juice and 1 cup of ginger ale. Serve at once. As a variation of this, add a small amount of lemon or orange juice.
4. *Lime Juice Cocktail:* Combine 4 tablespoons lime juice, 4 tablespoons orange juice, 4 tablespoons corn syrup, 1⅓ cups ginger ale. Pour over crushed ice in cocktail glasses.
5. *Spring Cocktail:* Cook 2 tablespoons sugar with ½ cup pineapple juice to make a syrup. Combine with 1 cup rhubarb juice (strained rhubarb sauce), 4 tablespoons lemon juice, ½ cup ginger ale. Serve at once over crushed ice. If rhubarb lacks color, add red coloring to make a delicate pink.
6. Add to 2 cups apple juice the following: 6 whole cloves, a stick of cinnamon, a dash of nutmeg, and a slice each of lemon and orange (peel included). Simmer 10 minutes. Allow to cool; strain, chill, and serve.
7. Here's something that will really make fruit juices party fare. Before filling the glass, moisten edge with lemon and dip into granulated sugar, tinted or white.

• lime meringue pie

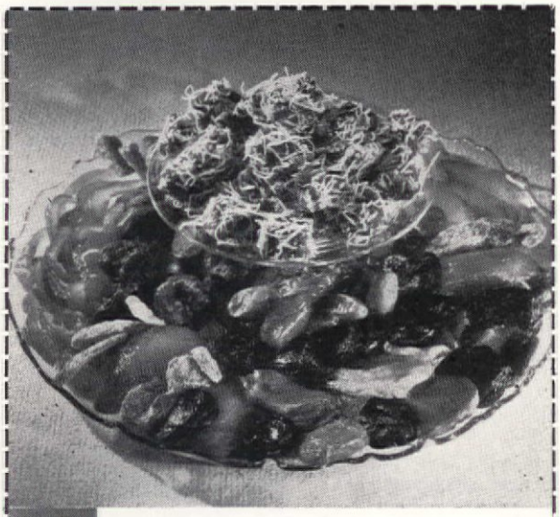
(File under "Pies")
Serves 6

7 tablespoons cornstarch
1⅜ cups sugar
¼ cup cold water
1¾ cups boiling water
3 egg yolks, slightly beaten
2 lemon rinds, grated
¼ teaspoon salt
½ cup lime juice
3 drops vegetable coloring, green
9-inch pastry shell, baked

Sift together into the top of double boiler the cornstarch and sugar. Add cold water and stir. Add boiling water and mix thoroughly. Cook over direct heat, stirring constantly, until thick. Put over bottom of double boiler, which contains simmering water, and cook for 10 minutes. Add a small amount of the starch paste to the egg yolks and mix. Then add this egg-yolk mixture to the remaining starch paste and stir thoroughly. Cook for 20 minutes, stirring frequently. Add lemon rind, salt, lime juice, and vegetable coloring; stir and continue to cook 10 minutes, or until glossy and thick. *Do not undercook.* Remove from heat and allow to cool at room temperature. When completely cool, put into baked pie shell and top with meringue made as follows: 3 egg whites, beaten until stiff; few grains salt; ¼ teaspoon lime juice and ½ cup sugar. Brown meringue under broiler just before serving.

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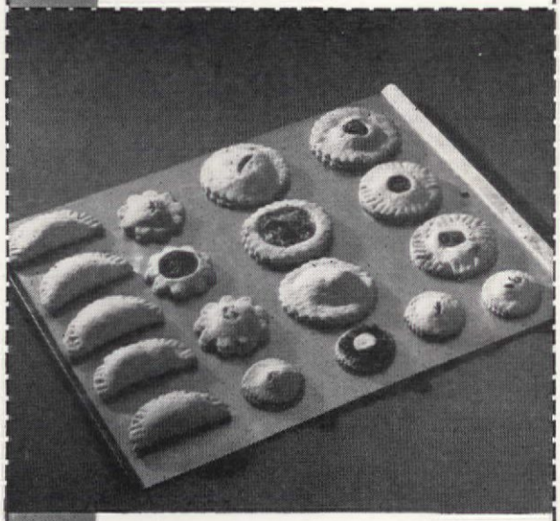


• coconut-fruit candy

MENU

Tuna Fish Sandwich Loaf
Potato Chips
Olives, Celery, Pickled Pears
Lime Honeydew à la Mode
Toasted Nuts, Fruit Delights
Beverage

Note: Use your imagination in planning interesting but simple party menus. There are many sources for such information. This Coconut-fruit Candy is nice for the end of any party. It's wonderful too, for the lunch boxes, or for an afternoon snack.



• fruit-filled cookies

MENU

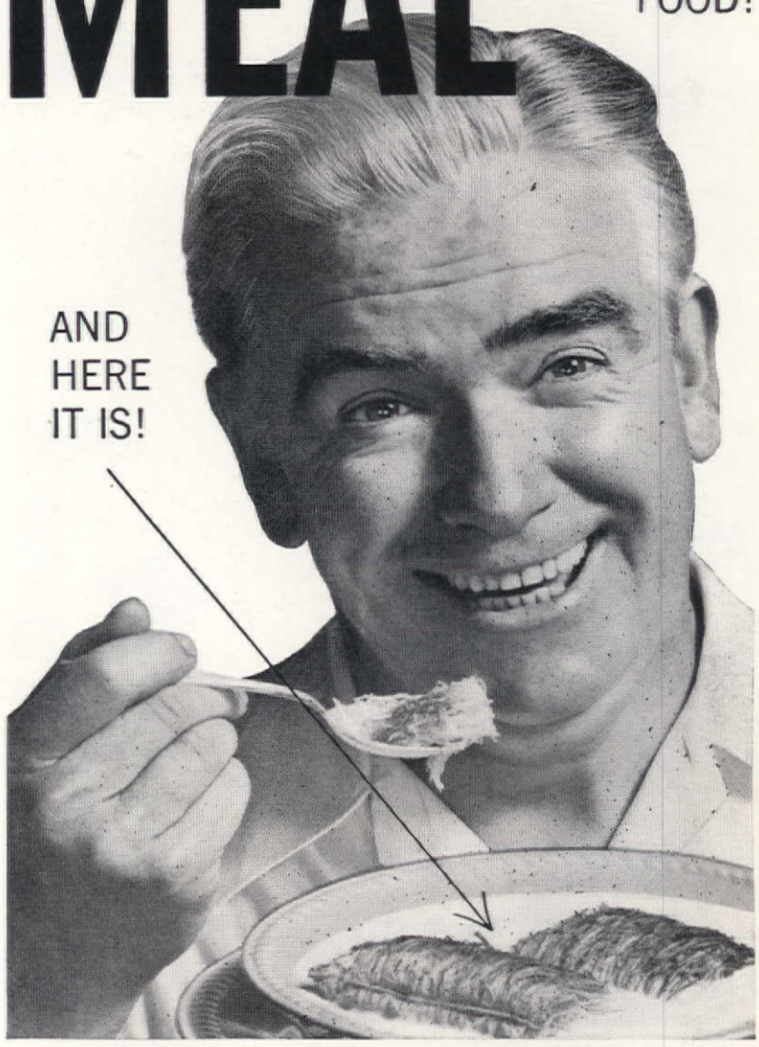
Onion Soup
Fried Chicken
Creamy Mashed Potatoes
Layered Tomato Aspic—Mayonnaise Dressing
Minted Fruit Cup Fruit-Filled Cookies
Coffee Cream, Sugar

Note: In any kitchen or pantry shelf there should be a cooky jar filled with homemade cookies; fresh, crunchy, and tasty. Make a batch of cookies each week. Everyone likes them, and, of course, fruit-filled cookies are a special treat.

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Fruit: For Goodness Sake

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• coconut-fruit candy

(File under "Confections")
Makes 5 dozen

2 cups seedless raisins
1 pound apricots, dried
1 pound figs, dried
1 pound dates, pitted
1 cup nuts, chopped
1 cup coconut, shredded

Put raisins, apricots, figs, and dates through food grinder. Put ground fruit into large bowl; add chopped nuts, and mix thoroughly, using the hands. Sprinkle a thin layer of coconut (about ¼ cup) on the bottom of a 9-inch square cake pan. Press the fruit firmly into pan. To get a nice blend of flavors, allow to stand overnight in a cool place. Cut into 1-inch squares and roll each square in the remaining coconut. Keep in tightly covered container to prevent drying out.

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• fruit-filled cookies

(File under "Cookies")
Makes about 3 dozen

⅔ cup shortening
½ cup sugar
1 egg, well-beaten
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 cups flour, sifted
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
⅓ cup milk

Cream shortening, add sugar, and beat until light and fluffy. Add well-beaten egg and vanilla and mix well. Sift together the dry ingredients, and add them alternately with the milk to the creamed mixture. Chill in refrigerator for 2 hours. Roll dough ⅛ inch thick on floured board. Cut in desired shapes and fill with date or fig filling, using about 1 teaspoon filling per cooky.

FILLING:
1 cup dates *or* figs, chopped
⅛ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon lemon rind, grated
2 teaspoons lemon juice
¼ cup dark corn syrup

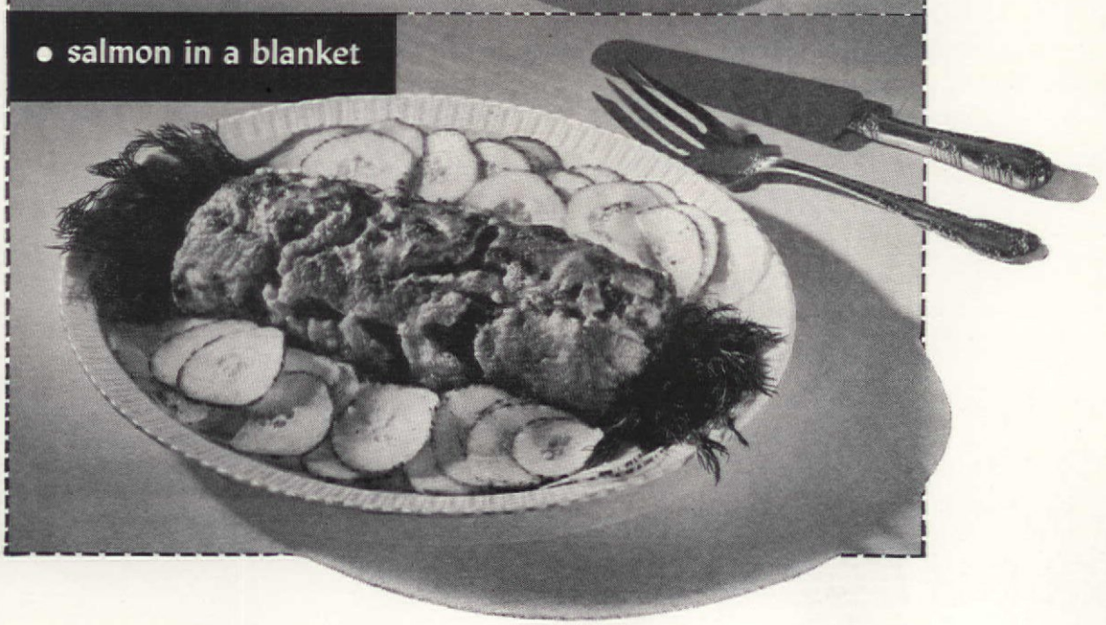
Combine ingredients and mix well. Use as filling in cookies. Makes enough for 3 dozen cookies.

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Good Victuals (Begins on page 59)





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• banana peanut brittle ice cream

(Serves 8)

Mash: 1 cup mashed ripe bananas (2–3)
2 tsp. lemon juice
Add and mix well: ¼ cup sugar
¼ tsp. salt
½ cup milk

Beat 2 egg whites very stiff; whip 1 cup heavy cream, thick but not stiff; beat 2 egg yolks until thick. Fold into first mixture. Turn into large freezer tray. Stir several times. In final stirring add ½ cup finely crushed peanut brittle.

Good Victuals (Begins on page 59)

• mushrooms flambé

Put in chafing dish and heat: 3 tbs. butter
2 tbs. olive oil

Add: 1 lb. whole large mushrooms, peeled and caps removed. Sauté, moving about with a fork from time to time. When almost done (about 7 min.) season with salt and freshly ground pepper, 1 tsp. chopped tarragon (or chives) and 1 tsp. chopped parsley, 4 tbs. sherry, 1 tsp. lemon juice. Cook another 3–4 min., covered.

Remove cover, pour over it a little heated brandy and a few grains of sugar, and ignite. Serve on toast.

Recipe by Jean Austin

• salmon in a blanket

Rinse 1 can (1½ cups) salmon with hot water and flake with a fork. Remove dark skin and bones. Put in a mixing bowl and add:
1½ tbs. sugar
½ tsp. salt
1 tbs. Bahamian Mustard
(or 1 tsp. dry mustard)
2 tbs. lemon juice

Add chopped parsley to dry pie mix and use vinegar instead of water to moisten. Roll into an oblong shape, spread with salmon mixture. Roll as a jelly roll. Bake in a 425°F. oven, 20–25 minutes. Cracks in the outside crust add to the attractiveness of the baked roll.

Serve with a sauterne or cucumber sauce.

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Last month we listed a few problems which you could check before calling for outside help for your laundry equipment. Before you reach for the phone to call a serviceman for your refrigerator, mixer, or blender, see if your trouble lies in one of the minor difficulties listed below, for you may be able to save yourself time and money as a result of careful checking.

• refrigerators (I)

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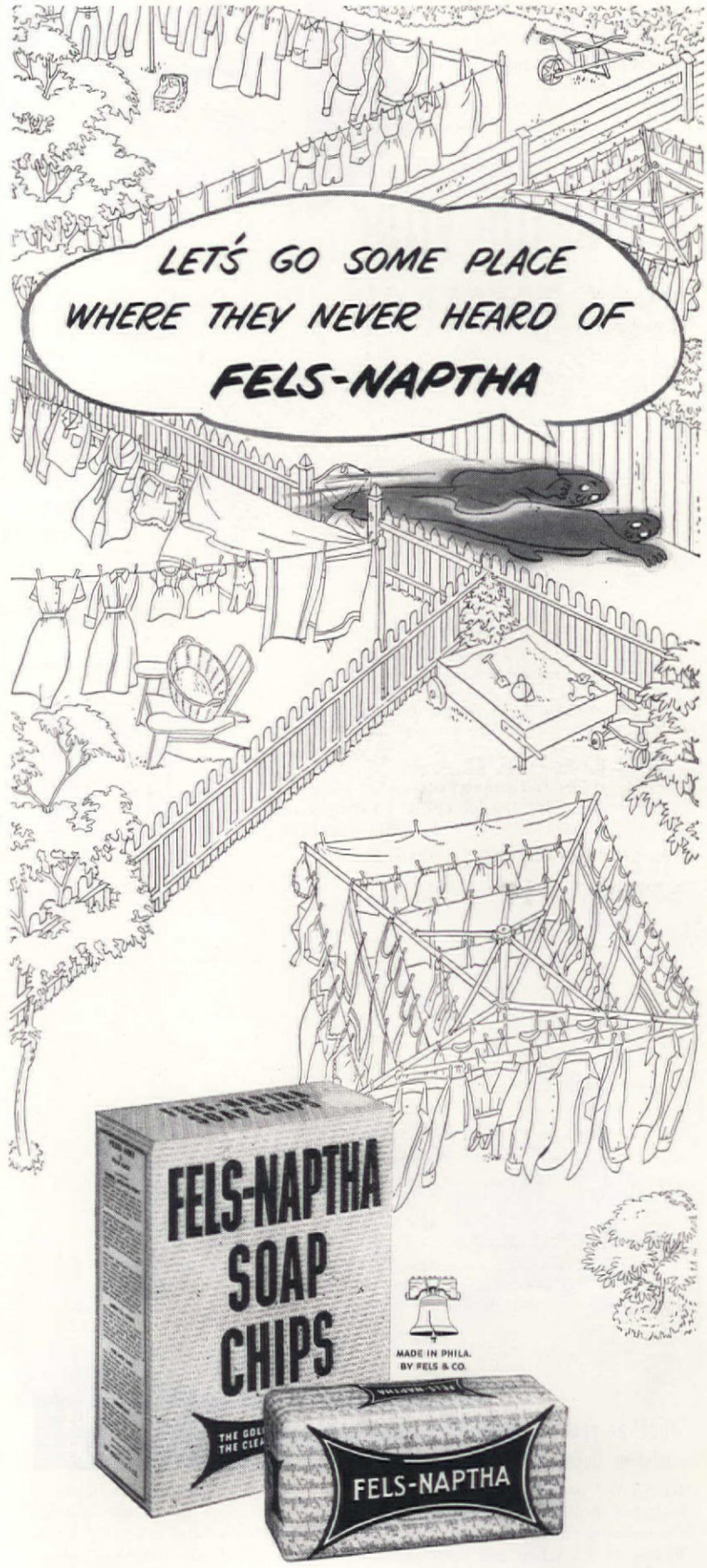
If the refrigerator is not operating:
1. Has plug been accidentally disconnected or has fuse been blown?
2. If a gas refrigerator, is pilot burning? Follow instructions for relighting.

If refrigerator motor seems to run excessively:
1. Is the room temperature higher than usual?
2. Do you cool hot foods before storing?
3. Has the refrigerator been defrosted recently?

If food in storage compartment freezes:
1. Is dial at proper setting?
2. If you have an across-the-top or horizontal freezing compartment, read your instruction booklet for proper operation of the baffle below freezing unit. It may be adjustable to control cold-air flow to storage compartment.

If refrigerator is too warm:
1. Is dial at proper setting?
2. Are shelves overloaded? Follow directions for proper storage of food.

If refrigerator seems to need defrosting too often:
1. Is room temperature or humidity higher than usual?
2. Is door being opened unnecessarily or left open for any length of time?
3. Are there many uncovered dishes or open foods in storage compartment?



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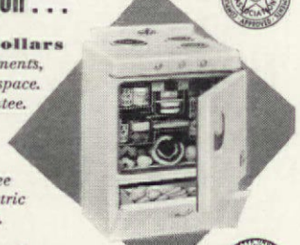
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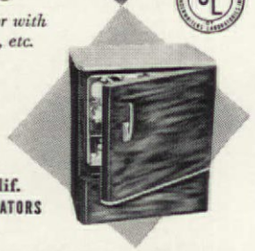


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• mixer and blender

MIXER

If foods do not seem thoroughly mixed:
1. Did you use the speed and length of time specified in your recipe booklet?
2. Did you scrape down the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula?
3. Do beaters touch bottom of bowl? Adjust according to instructions.

If mixer is too noisy or makes a peculiar noise:
1. Many machines are permanently oiled, so be sure to read your instruction booklet! Oil according to instructions, but only if called for.
2. Are beaters set correctly in shaft? Do they hit the bowl correctly?
3. Is bowl overloaded, or is mixture too heavy for your mixer?

If motor stalls or becomes overheated:
1. Is bowl overloaded, or is mixture too heavy for your mixer?

BLENDER

If container leaks:
1. Is nut on under side of glass container tight?
2. Does rubber gasket need replacement?

If blender sounds overworked:
1. Do not try to blend more than one cupful of any thick mixture.

If foods or ice are not chopped as finely as you like:
1. Have you cut or broken to the size recommended in recipe booklet?

• refrigerators (2)

TWO-TEMPERATURE OR MOIST-COLD

If excessive moisture forms on walls:
1. The amount of moisture in these boxes varies with conditions, but you may expect some moisture at all times. Read instruction booklet to see how much.
2. If moisture forms in large drops instead of a dewlike, even coating, clean the walls and shelves, for dust and grease may be the cause.

If too much moisture forms on the bottom of the box:
1. Is drain between storage compartment and drip pan clean? This drain should be cleaned each time the refrigerator interior is cleaned.

AUTOMATIC DEFROSTING

Since automatic-defrosting refrigerators operate with a delicate mechanism, read your instruction booklet carefully. Should trouble present itself, it is best to call an authorized repairman. However:

If refrigerator is not defrosting automatically:
1. Is there a control for both automatic and manual operation and, if so, is it set to "automatic"?

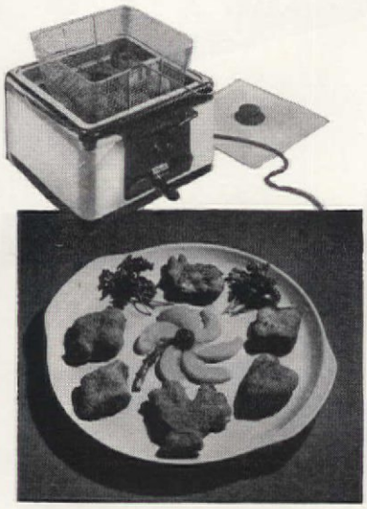
If refrigerator doesn't defrost at the time it should:
1. Is there a timer control and, if so, is it set for the same time of day as your other household clocks?

Be a Smart Girl

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Tuesday (Begins on page 64)

baking soda to one quart of water. Rinse with clear warm water and wipe dry. Avoid using coarse abrasive scouring powders or steel wool. Any glass refrigerator parts should not be placed in hot water when cold or there's the possibility of cracking the glass. Most ice-cube trays or dividers have a special finish that makes ice cubes easy to remove; remember that this coating can be destroyed with hot water so it's best not to put ice-cube trays or dividers in hot water. After washing around the gasket on the refrigerator door, be sure to rinse well; the gasket may be rubber which deteriorates if any grease remains.



Vary the usual croquette shape by using cooky cutters to fashion hearty cutlets. New deep-fat fryer maintains temperature automatically, browns cutlets to perfection

Many new refrigerators are the automatically defrosting type and even though the defrosting job is performed regularly for you, it is still advisable to clean the main food compartment at regular intervals. Be sure to remove all food and refrigerator accessories when you do this occasional cleaning job, for it's mighty easy to overlook a small dish tucked away in the corner. Your refrigerator deserves a final beauty treatment to keep it as fresh and sparkling as the day you bought it! A mild soap and water solution may be used, or the liquid wax recommended by the manufacturer cleans and protects the surface as well as adding a new luster to the finish.

Perhaps you're an architectural type of homemaker who has the uncanny ability to be able to cook meals practically to the "scale" of your family's appetites! But, most likely, you're a very average homemaker who finds, when she clears the table, there's a little bit of this and two good servings of that left—and, with food costs at an all-time peak, it's such a waste to feed the garbage can. So you pop the leftover into a dish and tuck it into a corner of the refrigerator for safekeeping. Of course, your intentions are the best for using it to good advantage! But, lo and behold, come refrigerator-defrosting day, there sit several leftovers—and your thrifty instinct seems to have hit a new low. So Mr. Garbage Can continues to merit the label of being "the best fed member in any family"!

We suggest that a few planovers be included in the marketing order for the week end, then when Tuesday and refrigerator-defrosting day rolls around, why not take an additional hour and prepare the planovers to be used for the next couple of days? Certainly saves last-minute food preparation at dinnertime, and, with a busy schedule for these afternoons, it's pretty relaxing not to have to rush home from that Red Cross meeting!

Leftovers are of two types—those that just happen and those that we plan for. In either instance, it's amazing what real miracles can be performed with them! For good management, we suggest the type of leftovers you plan for—and, for goodness' sake, let's discard that word "leftovers"—for now that you're buying an extra pound of meat for Sunday's rolled roast with an eye toward shepherd's pie on Tuesday night, let's use a word coined by good managers: planovers.

In turning the pages of your favorite cookbook, you'll see lots of basic ideas which can be used as planovers, and many cookbooks have a special section devoted to such recipes. Always remember to give the best of care to foods by storing them in your faithful refrigerator with its dependable temperature control. Allow foods to cool first, then place in air-tight containers. If you have a two-temperature refrigerator, you can store planovers uncovered, for the moist cold prevents an exchange of food flavors and means no drying up of foods. We find, too, that it's smarter to disguise a planover with a new recipe rather than by chopping or cutting foods in pieces which are too small. Have them large enough in shape to be identified.

In planning your homemaking activities for the week, you'll want to set aside a part of one morning for the defrosting job. And we suggest you give this planover idea a try just to see how the food budget can be stretched—and how much time you can save yourself by having a few planovers stowed away for the next few days. With some planning and a bit of management you *can* make defrosting day a real saving day!

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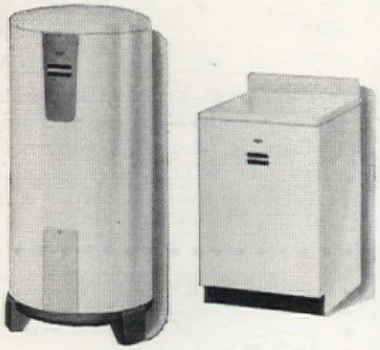
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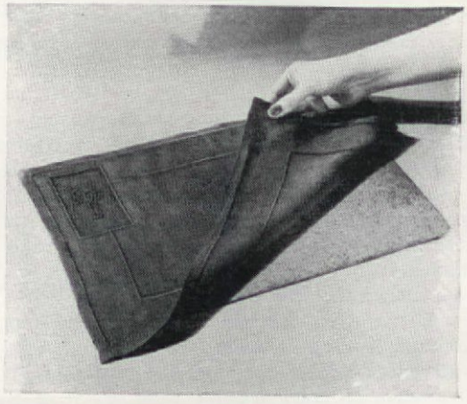
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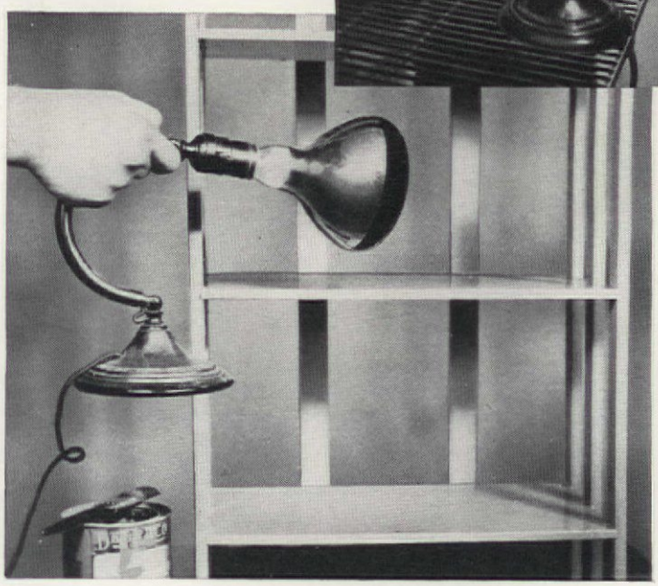
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There is perhaps no sadder season in a woman's life than that inevitable time when her children, who have filled her life for years, begin to leave home. Suddenly the motivating force is gone. Life seems useless, and time, which once flew miraculously fast, now seems never-ending. The wise mother will prepare herself for this predicament. While her children are still young, she will develop interests that will come to fruition in the days after the family is reared. Then after she and her husband are alone, she will have no time for self-pity or desire to manage the lives of her grown children. For then she can try new and challenging adventures.

Take the example of a grandmother of my acquaintance who had reared her own thirteen children, then helped with the care of some grandchildren. When I knew her, she was living alone in a small town. Though in her seventies, she kept up with the times, and was well informed. She was a regular attendant at meetings of the Ladies' Aid. So when she missed one day, a friend stopped in to see if she was ill, and found her seated in her favorite rocker, busily reading a book.

"Oh, my," she laughed when she realized what day it was, "this book was so terribly interesting I forgot all about the meeting."

One woman, whose children have gone to homes of their own, bought a table loom and began weaving rugs as a hobby. She makes them of various materials and used clothing, overalls among them. Blankets, too worn for use as bedding, work up into very pretty bathmats. She has orders for all she can make in her spare time, so it has proved profitable, as well as interesting.

Nell Crane made rag dolls for her grandchildren, using men's socks for the body. They are cute and cuddly, and were admired by other folks who wanted to buy some for gifts. She sells to individuals, and has a standing order from a gift shop in a neighboring city.

Norah Harry has always been an expert needlewoman. Several years ago a guest in her home, from out of the state, tore his overcoat, and she mended it for him. That was the beginning of an unusual mending service, which has increased since her retirement from the office of postmistress, at the age of seventy.

Grandma Trenary was our neighbor when I was a child. Her life was rich with three interesting hobbies. She enjoyed knitting for others so her bright red mittens warmed many childish hands and hearts. Her flower garden always seemed like a fairyland to me, and no one ever left her home without a bouquet, some seeds, or "slips" to start plants.

But her canaries attracted me most, and I never tired of watching her work with them. She loved them and they responded to her gentle care. There were numerous cages, with singers, females, and birdlings, and what a melody of music they made!

My friend Ellen began taking piano lessons at the age of forty-five after both her children were married. At first her fingers were so stiff, she was awkward at playing scales, but she laughed at herself and kept right on trying. Now she spends many happy hours at the piano.

A relative of mine took a lesson from Grandma Moses and began taking painting lessons in the same class with her daughter and surprised both herself and the teacher. She had never done any drawing previously and some of her oil paintings have taken prizes at exhibits. She enjoys painting and has learned a new appreciation of all pictures.

Contesting is a hobby that leaves no time for moping or worrying about imaginary troubles. While slowly convalescing from an illness about six years ago, I became interested in a contest, and worked out two entries. Winning one of the major prizes inspired me to try other contests. Contesting is a splendid pastime for people with active minds who are confined to their homes.

Subscribe to a good writer's magazine, borrow books on writing from your public library, and, if possible, join a writing class or workshop. Working on your hobby you become so absorbed that you forget to wonder why your daughter-in-law isn't a better manager (she will be by the time she is your age), or why your son seems to neglect you. (He is busy making a living for his family.)

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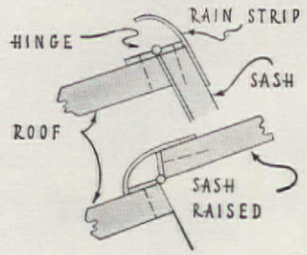
side of the frame. Now we can use—and really enjoy the patio."

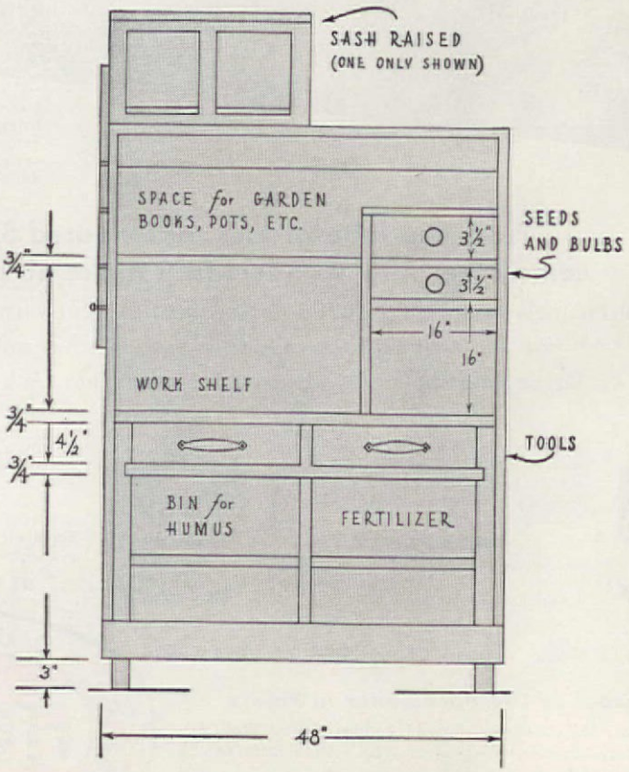
The rope lattice at the bottom of page 39 was designed not as a screen, but to break up a blank wall space along an entrance path with interesting shadow patterns. Made of more lasting wire cable, it could be used to support vines in pergola or trellis.

The plant support and shelter suggestions need little explanation. Used as tents, says Elsa M. Drews, of Nebraska, the orange crates cast broken shade; or for protection against cold, newspapers, burlap, old rugs, etc. can be laid over and thumb-tacked to them. To keep the eaves of the tall shelter at any desired pitch, fasten a stiff wire to the end strip of one side, wrap it once around the upright, then fasten it to the other end strip; repeat at the other end. . . . The lampshade-frame ideas on that same page are from Mrs. O. B. Dawson, Washington.

Arthur Fishelle, of California, designed the many-purpose, combination garden work bench and plant-starter. Sketches and working drawings explain its construction, but its versatile possibilities can be discovered only by using it. For simplicity, joints are put together with dowels and glue. Bins for soil, humus, etc., with sloping fronts for easy access, are below drawers for hand tools, labels, and so on. The linoleum-covered work surface is not harmed by water from pots or flats, and is easily cleaned. The upper drawers can hold bulbs, seed packets, many other things; the shelf will prove handy for reference and record books, bulletins, catalogues. The hinged lid or sash (with curved, galvanized metal rain-strip over the joint), covered with a flexible, wire-reinforced plastic glass substitute, can be in two sections, as shown, or all in one piece. The supports at either side are notched in several places so as to hold the sash at any of several heights as desired. We can imagine the sturdy legs equipped with heavy casters so the whole thing could be rolled under cover in bad weather or for winter.

More dimensions and directions for making versatile garden bench shown on page 38. At right, detail of metal strip to prevent rain leaking in above sash





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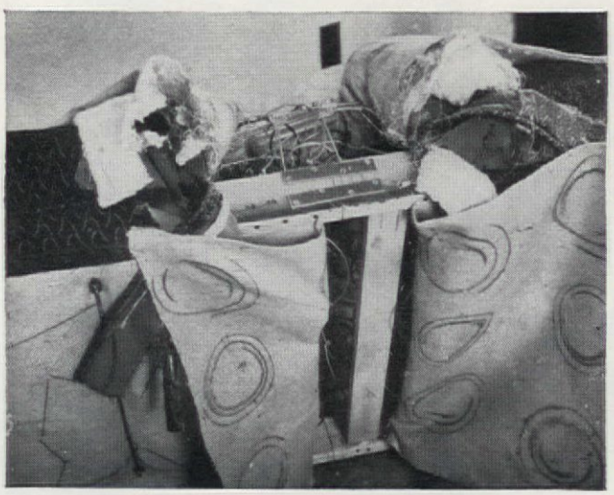
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Working rapidly, she finished basket after basket, using the flowers we had picked plus sprays of flowering shrubs

Mrs. Rowley's May Baskets

MARY ALICE ROCHE

It was April 30 when I stopped at the Rowleys to pick up some gladiolus corms they had promised us. There was no one in the house, so I took off across the terrace, around by the herb garden, past the perennial borders, to the cutting garden where I found Mrs. Rowley busy planting glads. Without stopping, she said, "I want to get all these in today, for of course I won't have any time tomorrow." When I asked, "What's tomorrow?" she looked as surprised as if I'd asked what Christmas was. "Why, it's May Day!" she exclaimed and, laughing at my continued expression of blank ignorance, she added an invitation to come over early the following day and see.

So on May Day morning my young daughter and I, all set to discover what goes on, were met at her door by Mrs. Rowley,

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who handed me a large basket full of tall cans of water, took one herself, and led the way to the garden. "Pick anything you please and lots of it," said she, starting in to do so.

What fun we had, wading in the fragrant sea of narcissi, gathering big bunches of Johnny-jump-ups, then on to the hyacinths! Little Cathy concentrated on a bouquet of sweet white violets, ignoring everything else.

Our baskets filled, we went inside, leaving the flowers to "harden up" in a cool, dark place, and up to that fascinating, inexhaustible attic. I wondered what treasure we would unearth this time, and it proved to be baskets. All at once, watching her collect them, I remembered.



On May Day, we gather flowers and fill baskets to hang on doors of mothers and favored friends

"Why, of course. On May Day, girls and boys with gardens, or who live in the country, gather flowers and fill baskets to hang on doors for their mothers and favored friends!"

"But *I* don't see why children should have all the fun," cried Mrs. Rowley. "The paper baskets we used to make were always losing their handles, and the top-heavy flowers kept falling out. So now, all year long, I collect real baskets and save them up for May Day. These low ones came from Chinatown, the flared ones from a second-hand shop, and these two little split-wood ones my mother used for gathering strawberries when she was a little girl. Those I'll fill with violets and forget-me-nots and leave at *her* door, for I'm afraid I'm not unselfish enough to give them outside the family."

I didn't see how she could bring herself to part with any of them, but she said she could always get more of the Chinese ones and that "the little colored ones cost a nickel apiece just before Easter, so I stock up then."

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a bite of lunch. So, after a snack in the kitchen (sandwiches and vanilla ice cream with preserved orange slices on top!), I put Cathy on the couch in the living room—with her bunch of violets, wilted but still cherished, beside her—and went back to the dining room. Spring had now claimed it, for Mrs. Rowley had brought there all the flowers we had picked, plus sprays of flowering shrubs she had cut before we arrived—forsythia, flowering quince and almond, pear, crabapple, pearlbush, lacy Spiraea thunbergi (perfect for the littlest baskets), and, for each one, a cluster of the pink-tinged, sweet, sweet flowers of Viburnum carlesi.

Working quickly, she finished basket after basket, and I arranged them on a big, light wooden tray. Some combined bleeding-heart, fragrant yellow tulips, and purple Johnny-jump-ups; others held pheasants-eye narcissi, red Fuselier tulips, and off-white Confederate violets, and so on. When the tray was filled—and oh, so



"Oh, that one's for you," she said, as she went down the steps

colorful—she got up, pinned on her hat, and got ready to set out on her first delivery trip, while I roused Cathy for our homeward journey.

I got back to the front door just as she started down the steps. "Oh—but wait a minute," I called. "You have forgotten this one."

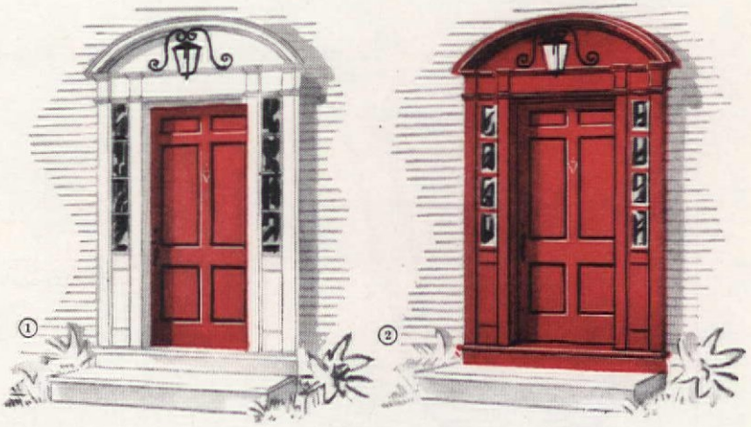
"Oh, that one is for you," she called back. And off she went on her May-Day rounds, leaving me sniffing happily at my first May basket in, oh, far too many years. I thought of all the people on the receiving end of Mrs. Rowley's generous delivery line and determined that, come future May Days, I would not miss giving and sharing the sort of enjoyment that she spreads all around her.

How to make the most of your Doorway

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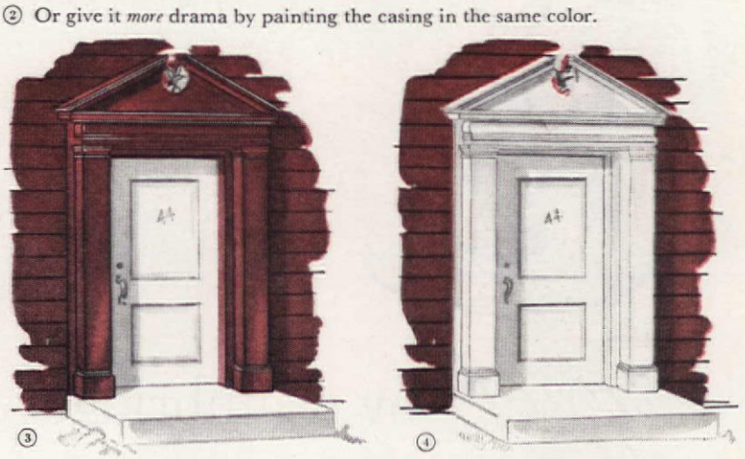
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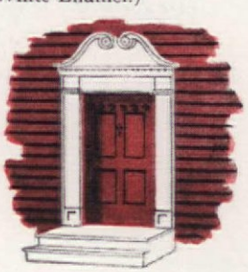
② Or give it *more* drama by painting the casing in the same color.



③ If your house is Suburban Red, Baronial Brown or some other dark color, paint the door in one of the Kyanize *Super-Service* light colors.

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How to Buy and Keep a Piano

HILA AXTELL BROSS

Polly and Paul Peters bought a piano with an unknown name. It was pretty to look at, though, and it matched their blond living-room furniture, and—best of all—it wasn't expensive! The store where they bought it guaranteed a year's service.

Polly's no virtuoso but she likes to play a little, and in six months she began to notice peculiar little rattles. The tuner told her the wooden insides must have been green lumber and had started to shrink. They must have been made of green lumber.

Three months later a couple of men laid the piano on its back, treated the shrunken parts with a liquid preparation to make them swell, set the piano back in place.

Shortly after the year's guarantee expired, some new and different rattles developed, and Polly called the tuner again. He didn't have the heart to tell Polly that her piano should have lain on its back for at least two weeks, while the liquid preparation hardened. That would have meant another trip by the dealer's men, the year was nearly up, so what?

The tuner couldn't tell her that the liquid had run down onto the piano's strings and they were rusting. Before long they'd be gone.

Harriet and Hal Henderson bought a "spinet" of a mongrel variety. To play it was something like playing an organ must have been back in the Middle Ages, when it took a fist to push a key down. Harriet gave up.

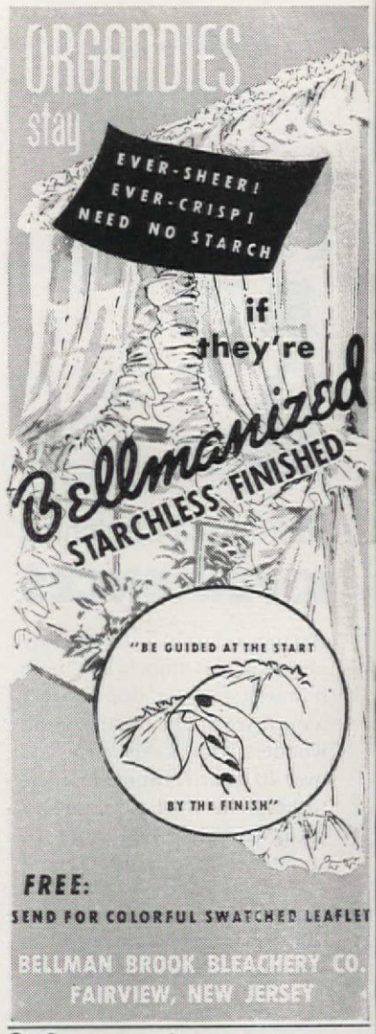
They moved away and five years passed. The next time we visited the Henderson home something was wrong with Harriet's immaculate living room. The pie-crust table shone. The breakfront secretary was still a pleasure to touch. New slip covers sparkled on the upholstered pieces. But what was that dull piece of furniture over in the corner? Why, it was the lovely "mahogany" piano! Its finish looked like a burned waffle.

Sam and Sarah Sanders bought a new console piano a couple of years ago. They bought a good one.

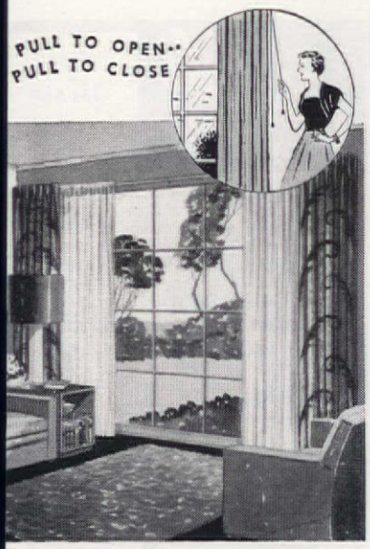
The other day I called Sarah to tell her the piano tuner would be in town the next day and asked if she'd like to have him. She said, "I don't think so. It's only two years old."

Would Sam let a new car go for two years without having it greased? Would Sarah refrain from vacuuming a new rug for two years?

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is practicing like a good boy on a piano that's painfully out of tune.

I shudder to think what it will cost when they do have it taken care of. And chances are it can never be tuned to pitch, which will be mighty inconvenient when Sammy wants to play in the school band.

Then there's Kay Keepupwith who thought she had to have a grand piano because her sister had one. But Kay's living room is small and she didn't have much money to spend, so she got the smallest size grand that's made—a little over four feet. It looks like a toy. Instead of lending dignity to her home, it's an oddity.

Everybody knows Mrs. S. Swellington Smythe who has a beautiful home with a spacious living room or maybe even a music room, graced by a magnificent concert grand. Mrs. Smythe isn't musical, but she hasn't anything else to do with her money, and she wanted a grand piano.

I went to her house once and I was asked to "play something, dear." But "they laughed when I sat down at the piano," because I pressed gently and nothing happened. So I pressed harder and the sound was deafening. There's no happy medium on Mrs. Smythe's piano because nobody plays it, and it's meant to be played regularly by a professional.

Then there's great Aunt Annie whose father gave her a "square" grand on her sixteenth birthday. (It really isn't square; it's oblong.) It cost a thousand dollars, too, and the case is solid rosewood. Aunt Annie is going to will her piano to you, and she assures you it's much better than the new-fangled ones of today.

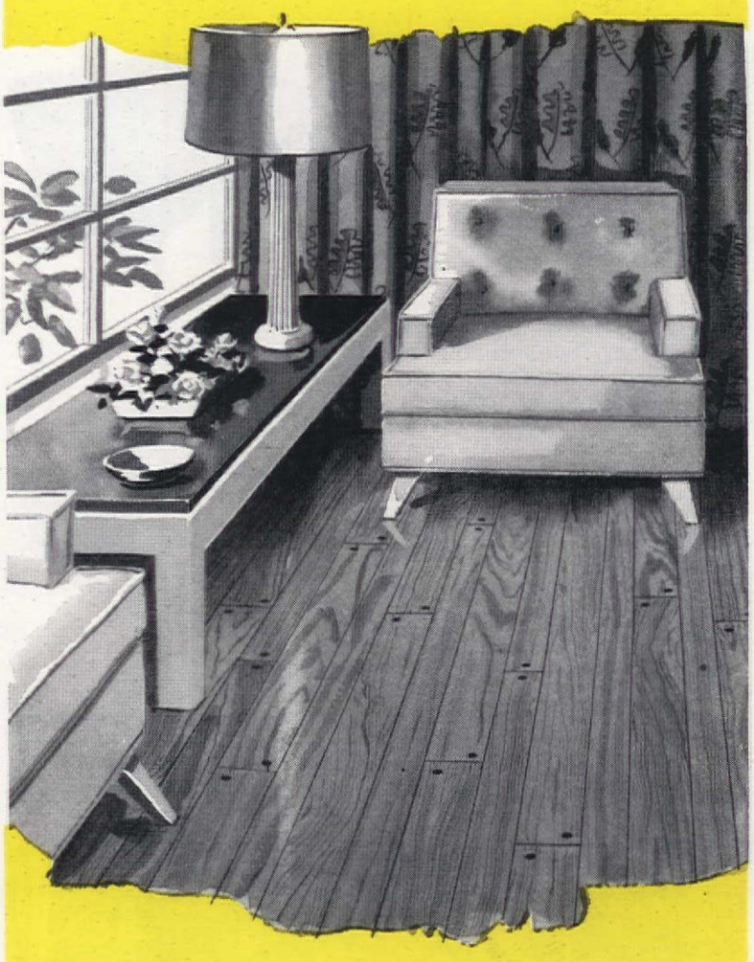
Well, in the first place, if you're willing to keep house *under* Aunt Annie's piano, O.K., because there won't be room for anything else after you get it in. (Providing you can get somebody to move it. It weighs 1,200 pounds.) But don't let Aunt Annie convince you it's better than a new one. If square grands were better, they'd still be making them.

Actually square grands are not pianos at all as we know them today. They were merely forerunners of modern pianos, and because of their construction they have little resonance and cannot be kept in tune. Taking one seriously is like driving a Stanley Steamer.

But maybe you realize Aunt Annie's square grand isn't much good as a piano, but you like antiques and have a genuine appreciation for the exquisite patina of the rosewood case. So you think you'll have a desk or a dining table made from it.

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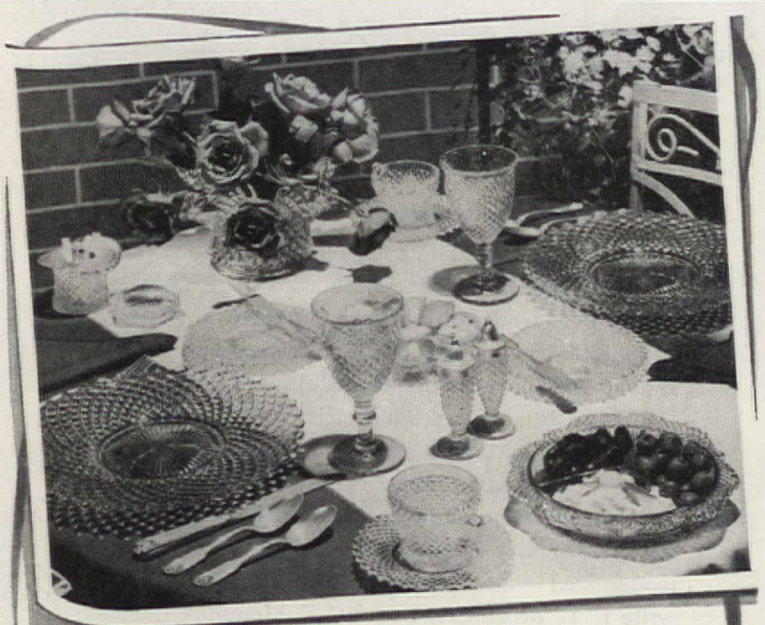
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very little else to do with his time.

When I asked him to make one for me he said, "No." He told me that until he could get a saw powered by atomic energy, he would never again attempt to work on wood which has been aging since Aunt Annie was a girl. Like Aunt Annie's bones it has become more brittle every year.

So if you still like a square grand because of its beauty, and if you have room for it, you'd better plan to keep it as a thing of beauty. But don't expect it to be a joy forever. Like Aunt Annie, they get old, too.

About fifteen years ago manufacturers began to revolutionize styling in small pianos. After some trials and errors they developed the modern console piano. It is erroneously called a spinet because of its resemblance to the spinet type of harpsichord.

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Improvements are constantly being made in pianos. A new type glue was developed during World War II for pianos used by armed forces in the tropics. Research still continues on it and in the future it will be used to counteract such effects of dampness as ivories coming off the keys.

Our family happens to be musical, so when we bought a piano we got a good console. We paid $550 and, after five years, people still exclaim over its beauty of tone, flexible action, and perfect exterior finish.

The same thing now costs $945, but it's worth it if you're musical. If you want a piano for your friends' occasional use, don't pay too much. But if you go into a lower price bracket, be sure not to get a lemon.

Once you have bought the right piano, your worries are still not over. For its care you will be at the mercy of your piano tuner. He may be your best friend or your worst enemy.

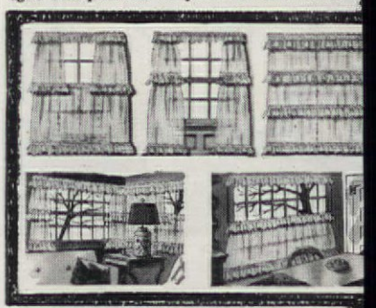
A tuners' journal recently carried the story of one old charlatan who kept a fake mouse nest in his instrument case. His method was to start a tuning job, and when nobody was looking he would plant his mouse nest in the piano's unsuspecting interior. Then he would call the horrified owner to see the bad shape her piano was in. Naturally such a disastrous condition called for lots of repairs, resulting in a big bill.

Both mice and moths do get into pianos, however, and they're not cute little Walt Disney characters who love music, either. Those wool felts are as delectable as a piece of cheese or a cashmere sweater.

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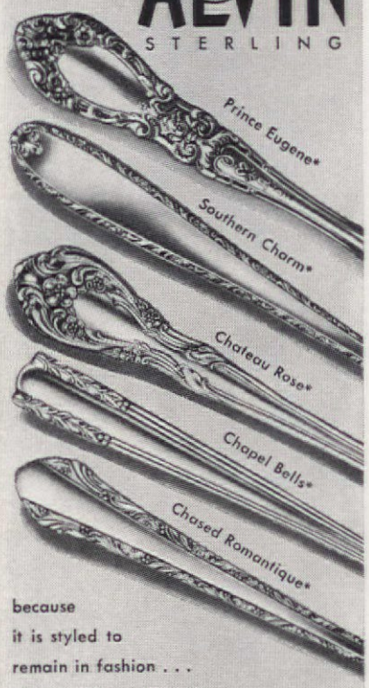
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Keep a Piano

(Begins on page 92)

they're all earthly treasures. The Bible tells us that moths and rust corrupt earthly treasures. Sadder, but wiser piano owners will bear witness.

Of course, pianos are a little bulky for thieves to break through and steal like the Bible warns us to expect. But that's been done too! If you own a piano, anything can happen.

If you're thinking of buying a piano or already have one, here are a dozen *Don'ts* to ponder over:

DON'T discard a good upright in favor of a cheap new piano. Wait till you can afford a good one. Use your old upright in some interesting way.

DON'T buy a grand piano with a stiff action unless you are a professional pianist. If your piano has only occasional use, get an easy action.

DON'T buy a second-hand piano because it looks good to you. Have a tuner thoroughly examine any used piano you are considering.

DON'T buy any piano, new or used, just because it's a grand. You wouldn't put fake books on your library shelves, would you?

DON'T buy any piano so small that "you can pick it up and move it all by yourself," or one with less than a standard keyboard. If it isn't a grand, yet only its legs and pedals touch the floor, then its construction is similar to a square grand, and it will be no more satisfactory than Aunt Annie's.

DON'T buy any piano just for its looks. Buy a well-known, nationally advertised make, from a reputable dealer who will back it up.

DON'T fail to have your new piano tuned every two months for the first year or two. After that, one tuning a year is sufficient. This recommendation comes from the makers of the world's most famous piano.

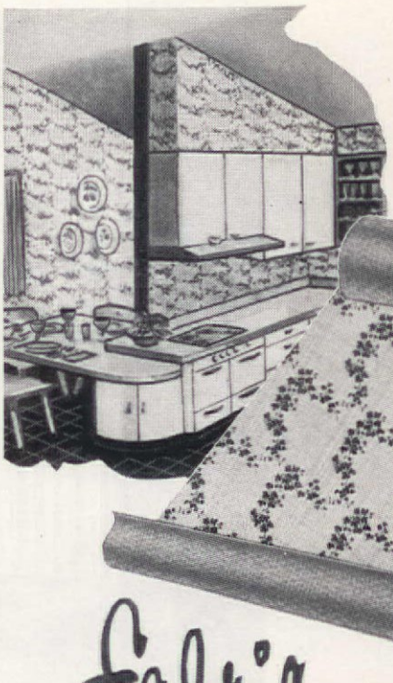
DON'T employ just anybody who claims to be a piano tuner. Ask to see his credentials. With five years' experience he will belong to the National Association of Piano Tuners or affiliated branch. With less experience, as a piano tuner, he will be an associate member.

DON'T forget that an estimated 50 per cent of all pianos now in use are infested with moths. Ask your dealer if your new piano is moth-proofed, and if so, for how long.

DON'T spray the inside of your piano with a commercial moth preventive. It will harden the felts and rust the strings. Have your piano demothed by a tuner. Ask him how to use naphthalene crystals to prevent further infestation. Don't leave these crystals around openly. The gas they create will ruin the surface.

DON'T expose your piano to dampness or extreme temperatures.

DON'T keep your piano open when not in use. Dirt constantly sifting in gums the works of any machine.



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Living room reflects Empire influence, with its side piece at the left and wood frame chair, yet rough-textured fabrics and color handling give modern touch

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Here's a Happy

We've selected a picture of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rosenberg's apartment for our cover this month, because we think they've done a highly successful job of blending traditional and modern pieces with lively colors and fabrics. It isn't often that within the limitations of a three-room apartment we find so much to admire. First of all, with the help of decorator Jack Hartrick, they have accomplished something which is rare. This small apartment is perfectly geared to the Rosenbergs' way of life and at the same time is in harmony with their acute artistic tastes. They didn't want to give up the warmth of their traditional pieces, for instance, yet both of them have a fondness for lively modern colors in rough textures. The result is an effective combination of furniture reminiscent of the Empire period with some contemporary Finnish, Swedish, and American pieces, and just one look tells you the answer. Even though the Rosenbergs have separate tastes in art, each one's liking has been indulged, combined, and presented with success. Their love of the simple human approach to living is reflected in the informal bookcase designed for records, books, and bric-a-brac. Here pieces of copper live among



Hallway and dining area divided by glass partition. Section at far end of planting box holds telephone books. Light wood chairs covered in turquoise silk



Handsome Empire chest, an antique, is grouped with striking wall sconces designed by Jack Hartrick

Blending

the books and appear to be surprisingly good friends.

On the cover we show another view of the living room, and it is here that we can see the beautiful results which are obtained by combining beige, blue, apricot, sand, and cherry, and presenting them with great good taste. Here in the living room the Rosenbergs enjoy many evenings with friends. A graceful grouping has been planned, with a long comfortable sofa, several upholstered chairs and smaller pull-up chairs. The imported Finnish coffee table is a rare treasure—low enough for visual appeal, but just the right height for quick snacks or a game of Canasta. Here is a small apartment, true, but in reflecting its owners' way of life it tells an enormously appealing story.



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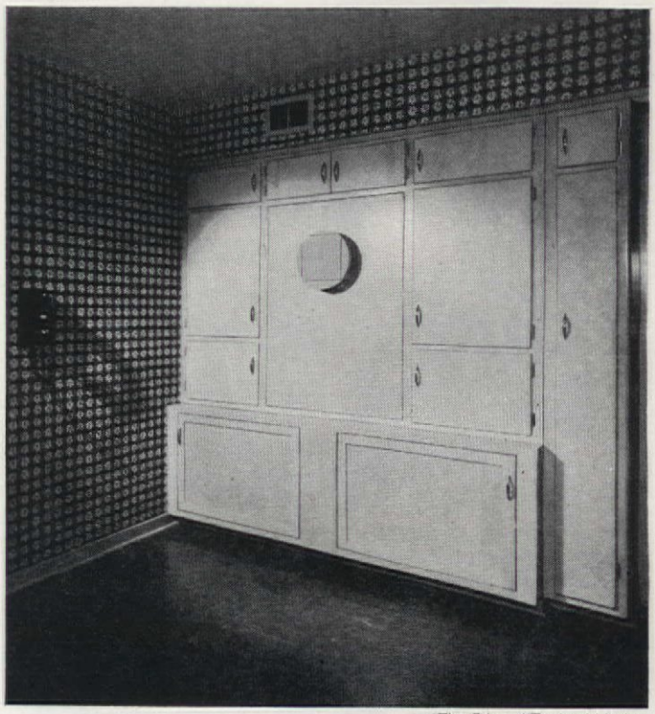
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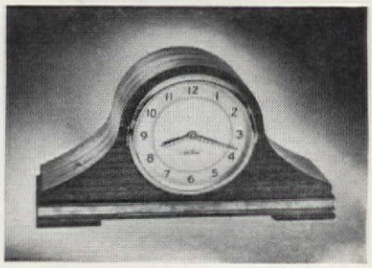


The Edward Taylors' kitchen

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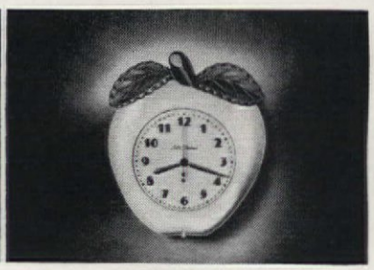




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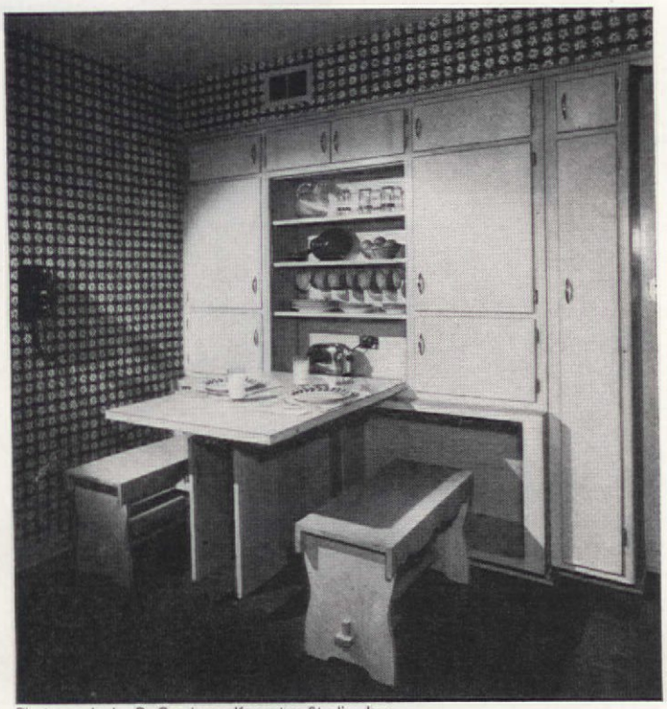
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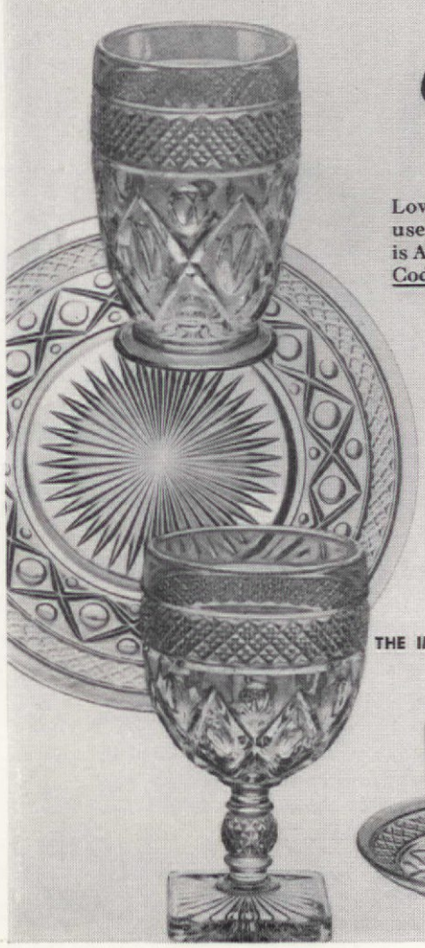
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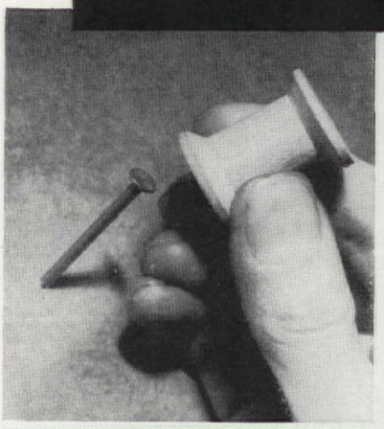
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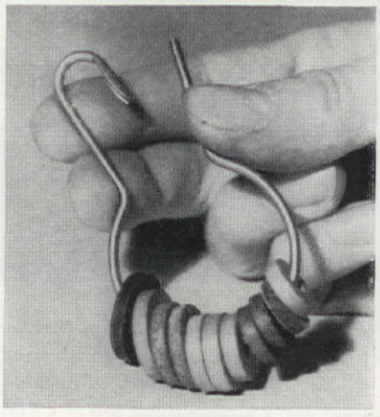
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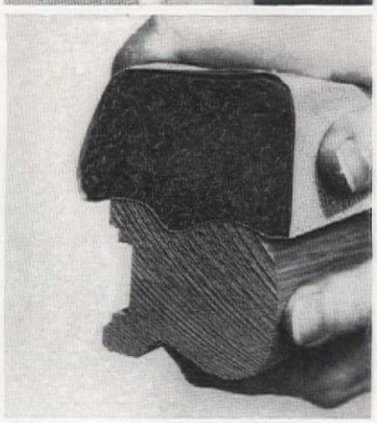
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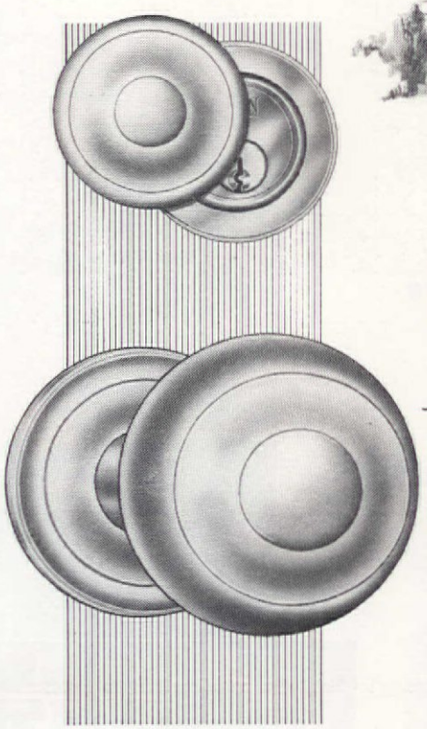
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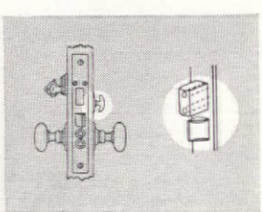
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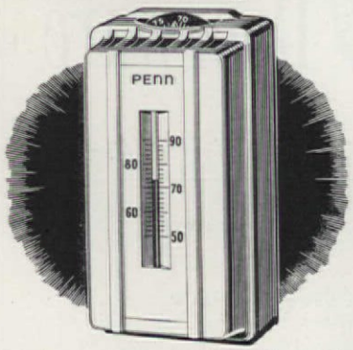
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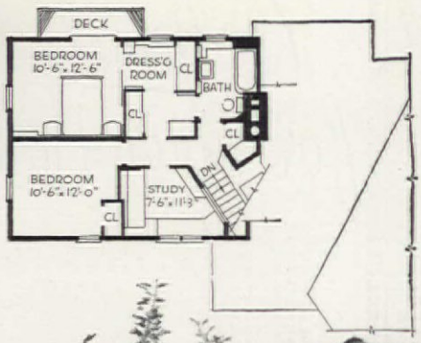
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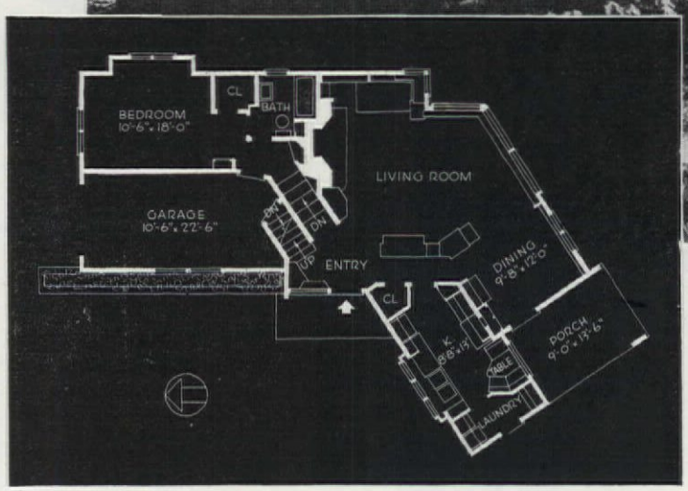
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A Story told







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Exterior views show unusual construction levels. First floor plan at left, second-floor detail in upper left corner

WILLARD SMITH, ARCHITECT

I love our house. Just the experience of living in it is wonderful. Even when it's dusty from fireplace ashes stirred up, it's good-looking and can be "slicked up" in a fraction of the usual time when someone is dropping in to inspect it, because "friends of friends of yet more friends, all of whom had seen it, thought you wouldn't mind showing it to us, too!"

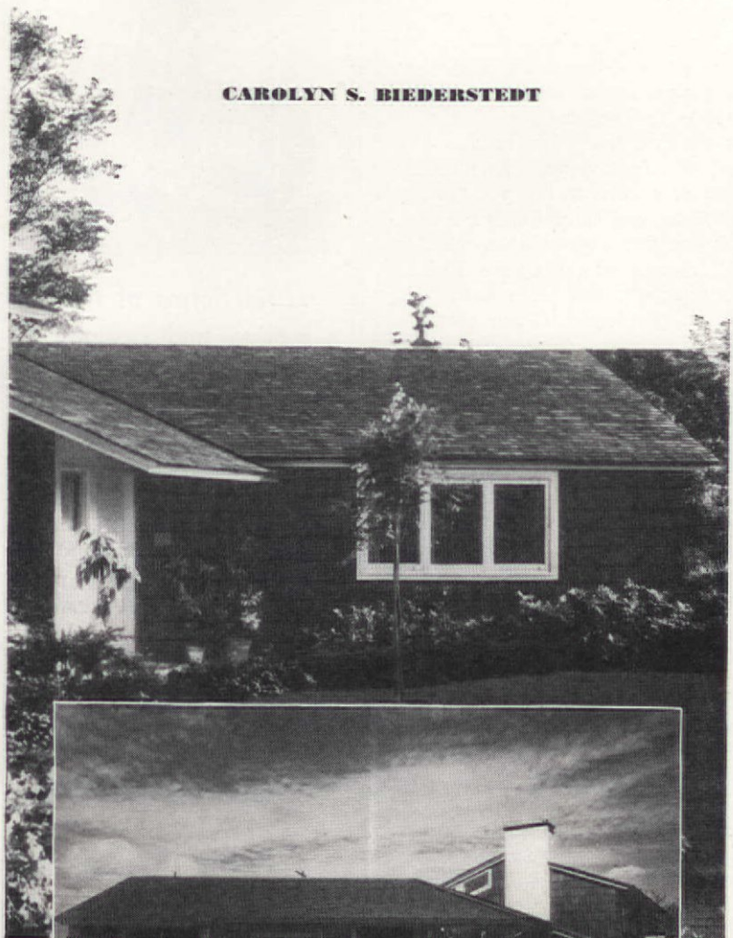
This happens so many times that we've shown it to over 3,000 people and are still at it, though after several years, paint needs repainting, draperies are fading, and it could stand a general doing over.

The architect Willard Smith asked me what were the "musts" I had to have included in whatever house evolved. Taking a blank sheet of paper I listed them: A fireplace that is the focal interest of the living room with a *rugged* quality, without looking overpowering or yet like a summer camp fire; the blaze in the fireplace to be seen plainly when one is seated at the dining-room table, or when lying on the living-room couch. Main floor to be at grade level, stepping *over* entrance sill, without stepping *up*. (This because I'd lived in a second-floor apartment for many years, and I yearned for the "feel" of the earth, and a friendly, personal entrance door.) Whole house to hug the ground, to avoid boxshape, to "ramble" as much as the budget permitted. The kitchen to be immediately off from the living-dining room, as I do my own work and want to be within conversation distance, but there was to be a semi-partition shielding the kitchen view from the living room. (The kitchen to be as advantageously located as the living room—with double exposure, too, and a sense of openness, smallish, compact, easy to keep in order.) Tiny laundry-utility area to be between kitchen and yard door with auto-

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on Three Levels

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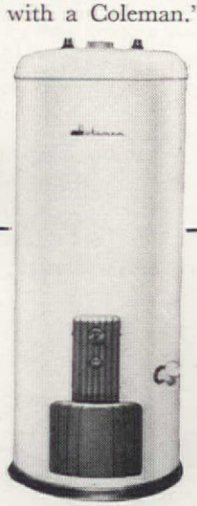


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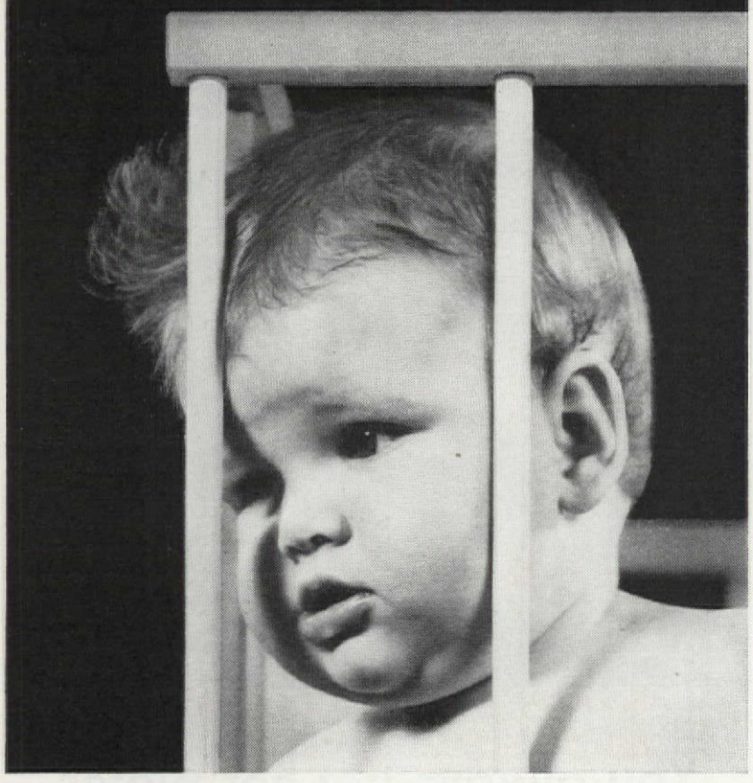
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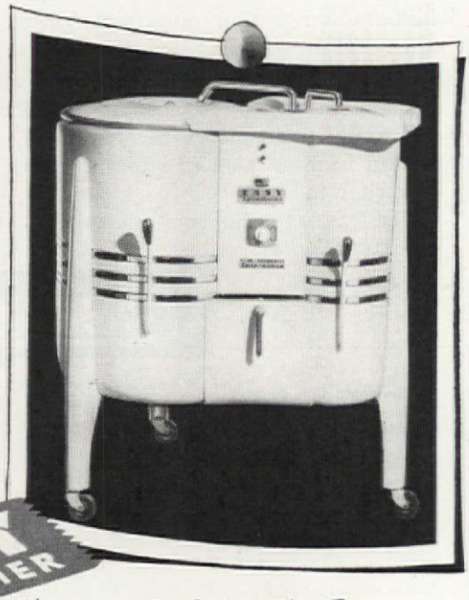
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matic washer, so we would be able to do laundry while cooking meals or washing dishes. Sleeping rooms to be on two levels, my mother's with only a few steps *down,* and the other two bedrooms and den up two-thirds of the distance. This one wing is two stories, the other only one story, making our living room the unfailing surprise to everyone who comes in for the first time, for the one-story wing you face as you come up the front walk looks so low you "almost stoop" as you enter the front door, then you find yourself in a room 37 feet from tip to tip, 13 feet high at the ridgepole, and large enough to seat 70 people for a club program. Groups of 45 to 50 are easy to accommodate and to serve refreshments. Living room and dining room to be separate areas, but no partition between. Light everywhere, single panes of glass. Built-in furniture in natural-finished light woods in all but two bedrooms, which would have antiques. The "new look"—on the wave of the future—to be the keynote of the design. House to be small, all rooms except living-dining room—this to be the living center of the home—the activities room—to be large, informal, interesting, everywhere you looked. Fireplace to show all the structural lines (no flat wall-opening fireplace for mine!). No mantelpiece to divert interest from the glowing hearth, but the equivalent of a mantelpiece surface on either *side* of the fireplace, for treasured ornaments. A balcony off the owners' room with inside screen doors so French doors can be open all summer long. Kirsch rods on all windows and balcony door for pull draperies. No "glass curtains" on any window in the house. A functional driveway, allowing shortest possible distance from street to garage. Windows in garage for plants (no curtains allowed there). Garage to be at northwest side of the house to get the winds and driving rains and protect rest of the house. No attic but a large cellar with many storage shelves. A ledge by the fireplace to sit very near the fire. A living-room ceiling, following the lines of the gable roof.

We planned multiple use of space, surfaces, and pieces of furniture. Cypress piano bench, very sturdy, doubles for individual serving table during a buffet supper. Window sills 18 inches deep by 15½ inches from floor (with 4 inch setback at floor) were designed for informality (floor length makes for formality!) and even more for use, as 9 to 12 people can seat themselves on them when we have larger gatherings. Even with not-so-large groups, I often find a couple of dining-room chairs drawn up by the window and four or five people grouping themselves on sill and chairs for easy, almost-outdoor

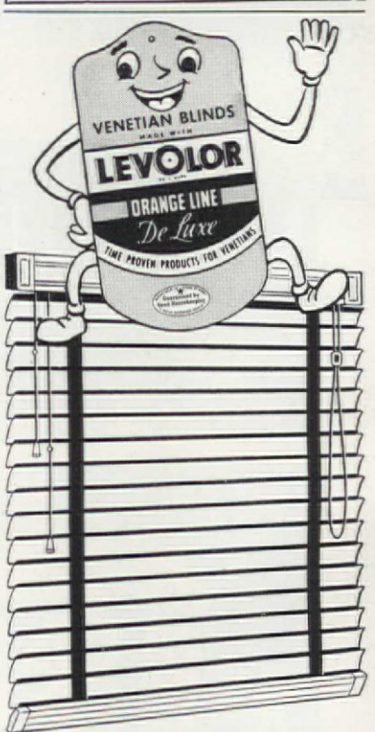
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chatting. Big couch is really a 39" twin bed unit (mattress and springs) and many times a year serves as overflow for guests. Wood box (with handsome Korean-brass butterfly hinges) holds generous supply of 18-inch logs, but is so designed that top takes the brass ornaments that would ordinarily go on a mantel. Large opening from den overlooking living room with sliding wood panels, marvelous bit of clever designing, making vista up from living room as well as down from den. Two clerestory windows over stairs, my favorite item—giving a glimpse of sky, day or night, and admitting extra light on stairs and vines. Music unit, record changer, and low table with shelf below for record albums, makes the screen that shields kitchen from living room view, adds about 8½ feet of wall space to the living room and makes a lane for traffic to the dining room

This is the only house we know where the service hall is in the living room! The split-level stairs are enclosed by low wing walls, partly covered by a ledge area excellently suited for plants. The tops of these walls at different levels keep the eye ascending in well-defined steps to the den opening. The split-level arrangement of floors has the main level at grade, for safety and ease (since this is the area most used) and also this grade-level main floor makes no sense of separation between the grounds, the approach, and the living space of the house. The three large windows (6¼ feet by 5½ feet) with single panes of glass not only bring outdoors in, but make window-washing a cinch. Tho duo-speakers have been built into a large Ozite-lined sound box in the storage area over the porch, with a cloth panel opening into the west living-room wall over the door to the porch. This makes for the highest quality musical tonal effects, both over the radio and from records. All large glass areas are fixed, most smaller windows are outward-opening casements with roll screens, and clip-in storm sash.

Mother's downstairs bedroom is exactly scaled to accommodate her specific antiques so not an inch is wasted. This is an immense delight to her. The little bathroom has three built-in cupboards making an adequate place for everything. Our quarters upstairs are divided into a sleeping room and a dressing room with wide sliding birch plywood door between (almost all woodwork is birch). This assures a warm place to dress through long winter months. Each side of the dining room has a long clothes closet, each with two sliding doors. This is especially appreciated when preparing for an evening engagement together, and in the hurry of dressing no closet

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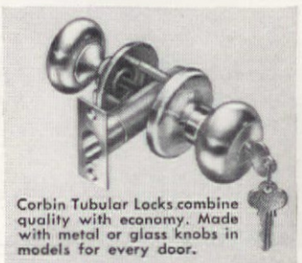
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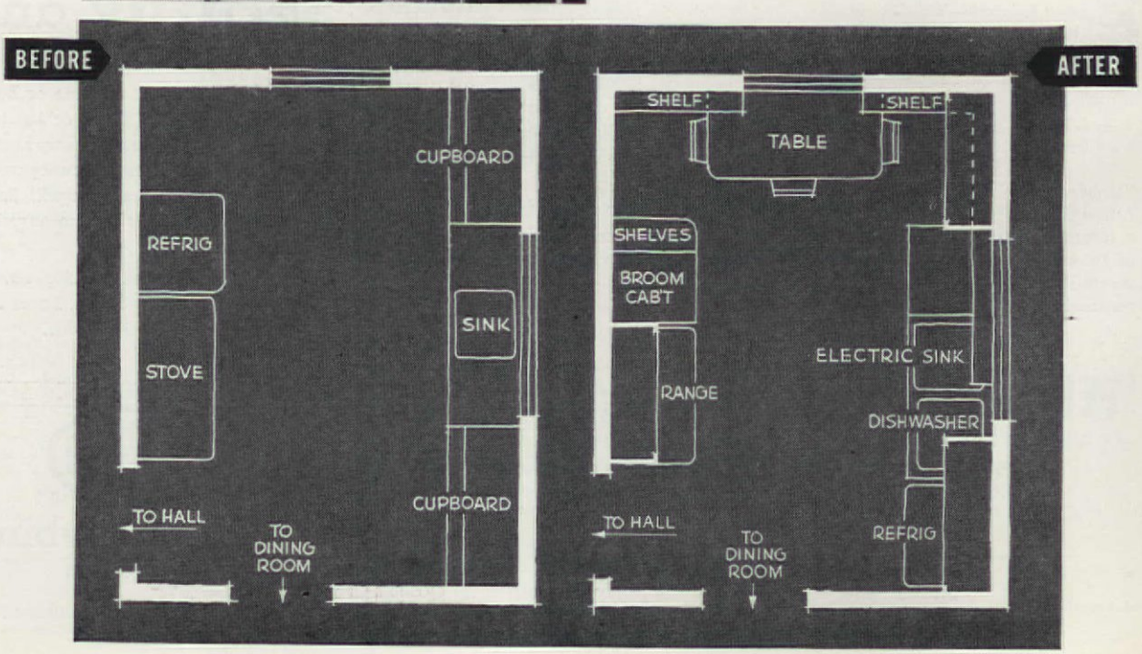
My wife had wanted to rebuild the kitchen for several years. One reason it wasn't done was price. The other was she thought she couldn't plan it—thought it took some great, experienced, artistic mind to plan a kitchen. Finally I cut out some little pieces of cardboard to the standard depths of all modern sinks and base cabinets, and wall cabinets (25" for the former and 13½" for the latter)

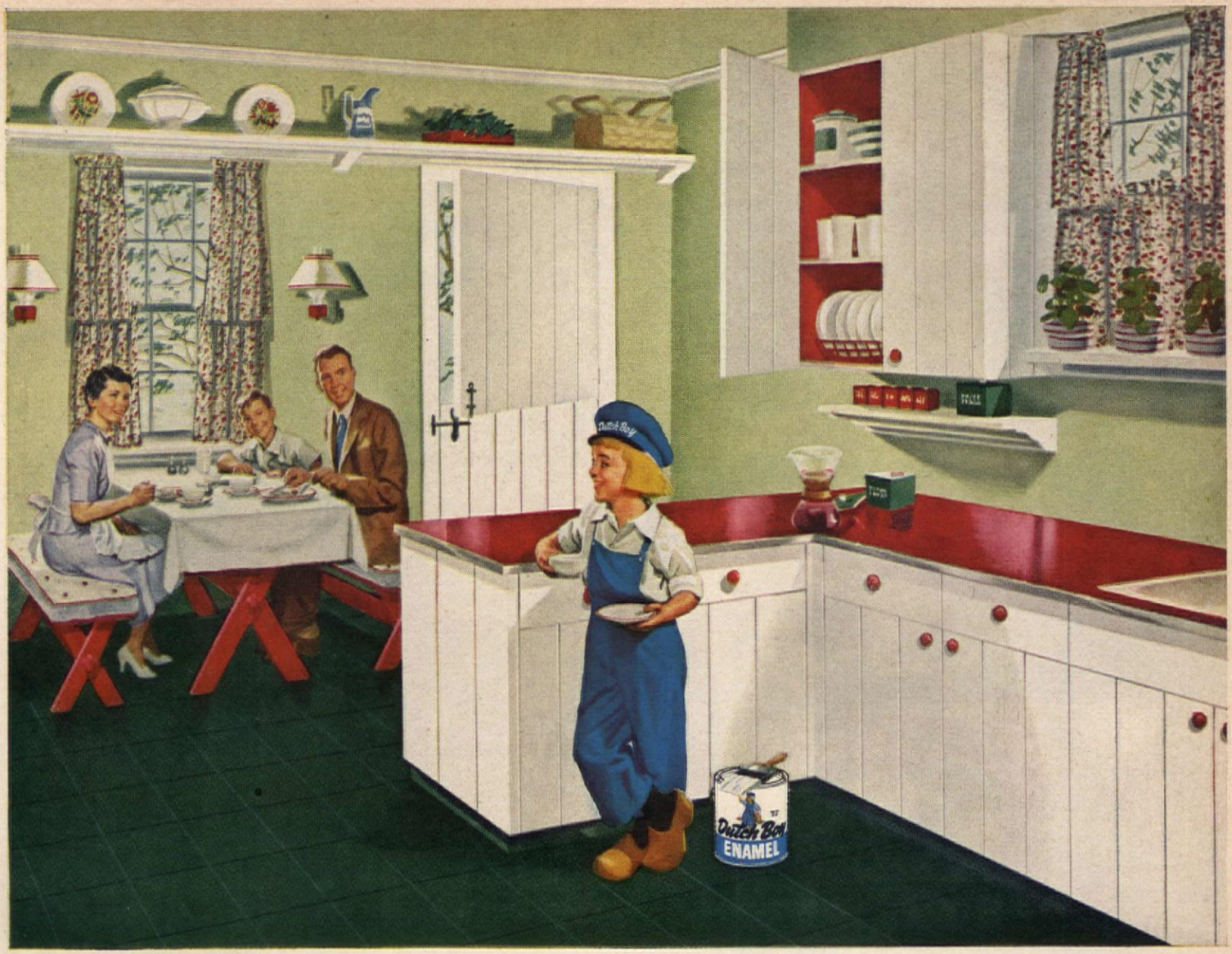
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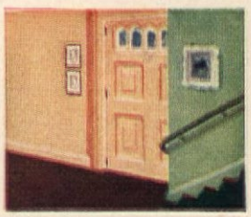
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and said, "We'll plan that kitchen. The old stove is getting unusable, and we'll have to do something about that, so we might as well do it all."

At the risk of being accused of promoting power tools, I recommend against trying to rebuild your kitchen without power tools. It will be such a long, tedious job with hand tools that there will be a temptation to slop through the last two-thirds of the project. In addition, even a professional does not try to do a workmanlike job by hand today. I defy anyone to saw a perfectly true cut or to bore a perfectly true hole with hand tools, except by luck. Try it, and then check yourself for accuracy with an accurate instrument, not just by squinting at it.

The next step—and this is very important—is to make working drawings of every cabinet accurately to scale. For that you will need a T-square. And you'll need a pad of tissue layout paper such as advertising layout men use. Tissue paper will save you a lot of work, because if you don't get a plan exactly correct the first time, and you probably won't, you will not have to do all of it over, but simply retrace it.

Our house was built in 1928, back in the days when finer lumber than necessary was used for woodwork. I found that the old kitchen cabinets were made of absolutely clear lumber —gumwood, maple, and yellow pine.

Fortunately I remembered not to try to mix this 20-year-old, thoroughly seasoned lumber with new lumber, some of which is so green that it spits sap in your eye when you drive a nail in it. However, for the top of a base cabinet I used a new piece of plywood allowing ⅛ of an inch for shrinkage.

The room is 9 feet 3 inches x 12 feet 4 inches. It contained two floor-to-ceiling cabinets. The base sections were only 24 inches wide and the top sections 15 inches. Consequently, there was only a narrow ledge of usable working space. The room has two doors and two steel casement windows. The old sink was a double drainboard affair, 72 inches wide, standing on legs, with a radiator under it which had to be moved.

The first step was to tear the cabinets loose from the wall and ceiling to permit the installation of the ceiling tile and still have them usable until new ones were complete.

Ceiling tile is easy to lay providing you get started right. Professionals recommend stripping the ceiling because stringers are only approximately accurately spaced and are not necessarily straight in an old house due to warping. Anyone who has searched for a solid place to drive a nail in the wall will know what I mean. Any lumber not too full of knots will do for stripping, and should be at least two inches, but not necessarily more than three inches, wide.

The most important thing in putting on ceiling tile is to get that first tile in absolutely the correct position. It is best to measure the first course correctly before you nail any fast so that if fractions of tile are required to reach, they will be of equal measurement on each side of the ceiling, for better appearance. After you have the exact position of your first tile, it is better to draw lines with a perfectly straight edge to follow. It is necessary to make every tile line up exactly in position, because if a tile is out of position even 1/32 of an inch, the line is very soon off ⅛ of an inch and will show plenty.

I learned this the hard way. I didn't get that first row on correctly, and after I was done I was disgusted with the job and did it all over again.

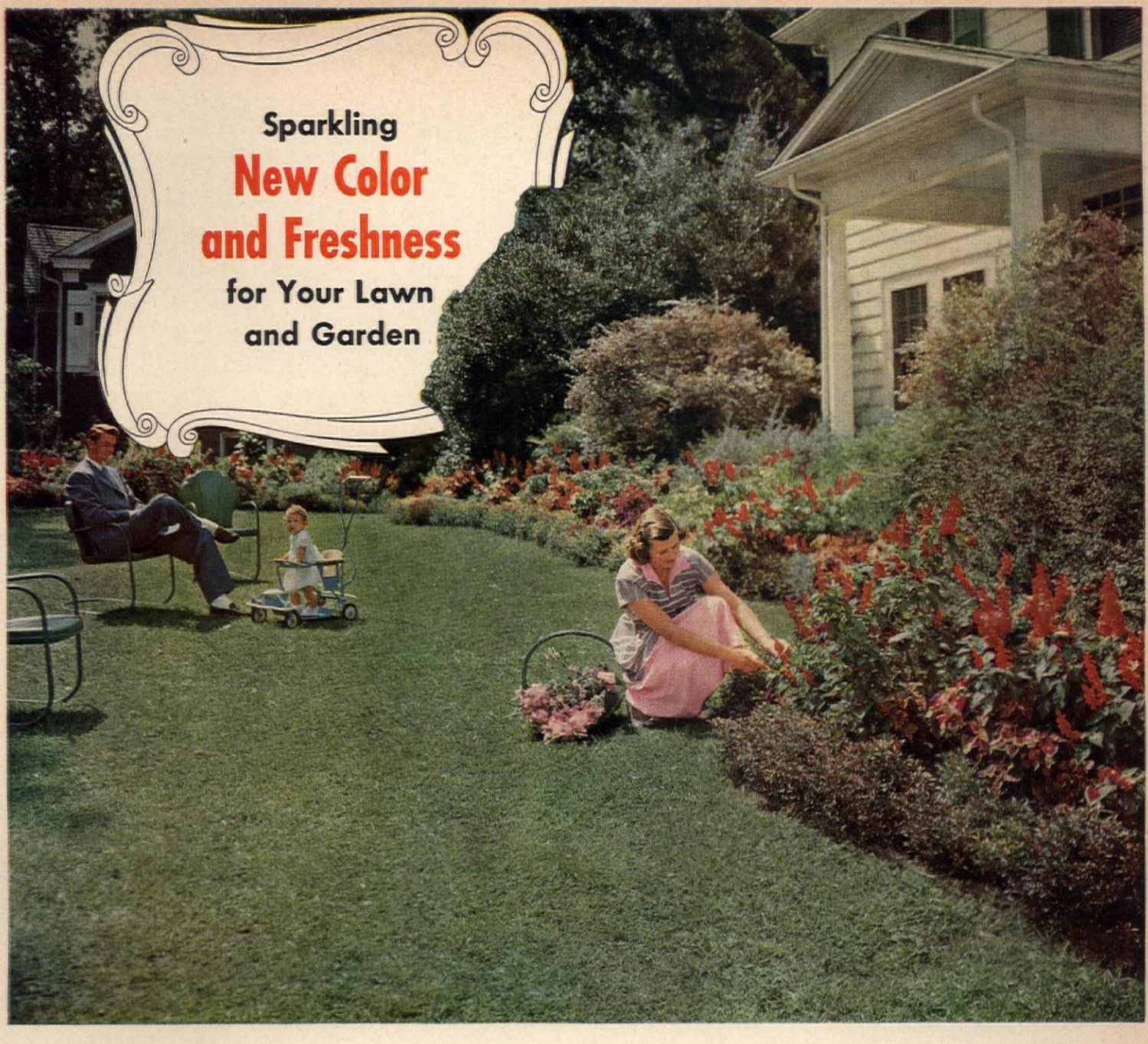
With a table saw it is possible to trim ceiling tile accurately. It can also be done with a file, but that is a tedious job. If cut with a high-speed saw, no one can tell a trimmed edge from the factory edge.

There was enough lumber in the old cabinets to complete the east-wall



For more accurate edging of boards and strips, here's the jig developed with disk sander attachment on a table saw

cabinets and the base cabinet which is to the left side of the new sink. The wall cabinet over the refrigerator is 41½ inches wide and 34 inches high. This leaves a 9-inch space above the refrigerator for adequate escape of heat. The other cabinet is 40 inches wide and 42 inches high. Both cabinets are of the present standard depth—13½ inches. Between cabinets and above window is a curved valance 8 inches wide made of ⅜-inch plywood and edged at the bottom with an aluminum strip. This val-



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ance conceals the fluorescent light over the sink. The base cabinet is 27 inches wide and standard 25 inches deep to match the sink.

One feature about it which we like very much is the two tuck-away slots for trays, etc. The one at the back end, not visible in the photograph, is wide enough to hold bottles.

I do not believe that trying to install a disposer sink and dishwasher is any job for an amateur. Even experienced plumbers and electricians do not know all the answers yet on such new "kitchen magic," and I do not believe in risking the performance of such a large investment by taking any chances on installation.

All the cabinets at the other side of the room—on the stove side—are made of new plywood, except the shelves. Enough lumber was left from the old cabinets to make most of the shelves, and I felt it was perfectly safe to mix old and new lumber here.

The wall cabinet is 61½ inches wide x 42 inches high. Two doors open above the stove. Another separate compartment opens from the end at the back of the room—a handy place for infrequently used articles.

The broom closet is 20 inches wide x 25 inches deep x 57½ inches high—big enough to hold a lot of stuff. It includes a specially built shelf for the pressure cooker, plenty of room for vacuum cleaner, mops, etc. On the side toward the back of the room are three round-cornered shelves, the top shelf being an extension of the top of the broom closet.

Do not let round-cornered shelves scare you, if you have a table saw and sanding disk. First mark your guide lines with a compass, then rough out your circle with straight cuts with the saw. Then put on your sanding disk and edge your shelf. Start at one corner and turn the piece slowly and steadily across the sander disk. You will find it is surprisingly simple to cut a circle factory-true.

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My wife and I are prouder of the cabinet doors than of anything in the kitchen. They were her idea—an original in doors as far as I know, even if she did borrow the idea in a way from restaurant booths. They are faced with plastic fabric. She believed that they would be easier to keep clean than paint, and this has proved to be true. The fabric will wear out in time, but it can be replaced.

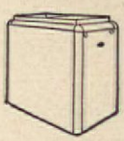
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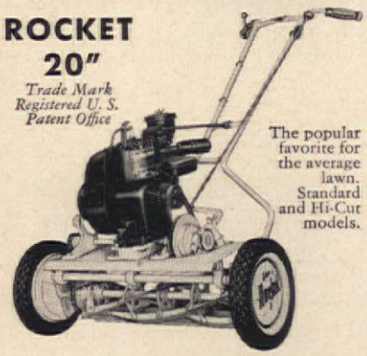
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plastic fabric is tucked between the layers of plywood and tacked.

One of the things we wanted in the kitchen was a place to eat. That was the feature that my wife was so sure would take an expert to accomplish. It turned out that it simply involved making a table. We soon found that no table was ever made to fit our exact purpose. So we designed a unique one. I don't believe that it is too smart to fasten a table to a wall. So we decided to make a table square on the wall edge, with rounded corners, and to have it movable.

The top is made of ¾-inch plywood covered with counter-top linoleum, edged with aluminum. The legs were purchased from a restaurant supply house, and were made for light restaurant tables. It measures 27½ inches wide x 52 inches long.

Three shelves are at the table end of the kitchen. The bottom shelf extends around the room underneath one of the wall cabinets and above the base cabinet and sink. These are mounted on ordinary pressed-steel brackets, but the brackets are recessed in the wall. I dug away the plaster and fastened them directly on the scantling. Then I called in a mason to fill up the holes, and wall scars caused by installing the sink.

Hanging a wall cabinet merits a few words of caution. It must be fastened solidly with toggle bolts. At least I wouldn't trust our dishes to a couple of nails. I used 5/16-inch toggle bolts. Hanging a cabinet involves having the wife and kids or neighbors help you hold it up while the hole is bored through the back of the cabinet into the wall to assure a match. Then you have to take it down and put the toggle bolt through the back of the cabinet.

Before you go to the work of raising the cabinet in place again, find out how much air space you have in the wall. Our house is built of brick and cinder blocks. The wall scantlings are only 2 inches wide instead of 4 inches. This leaves very little room to push a toggle bolt through far enough for the toggle to open up. In such a case the bolts must be shortened, else you will never get them tight. So find out first and you will save a lot of work and trouble.

About the time I was ready to lay the floor, which is of rubber tile, some professional floor men asked for the job. I was getting a little tired, and let them do the kitchen. But my son laid the tile which covers the back hall and three steps leading down to the back door, and it cannot be told from a professional job. He was 14 years old at the time, but, of course, I've raised him right.

I want to add a few words in general about quality of tools. A cheap

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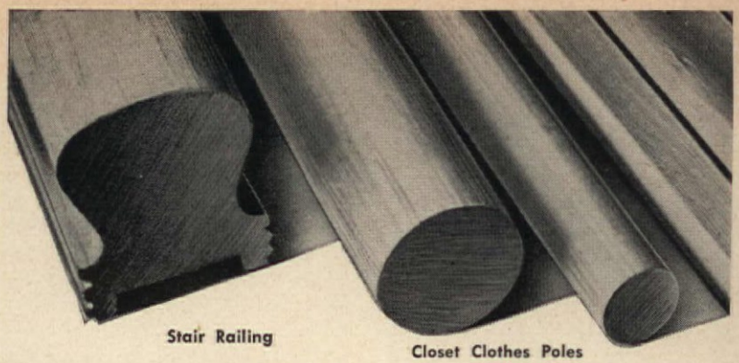
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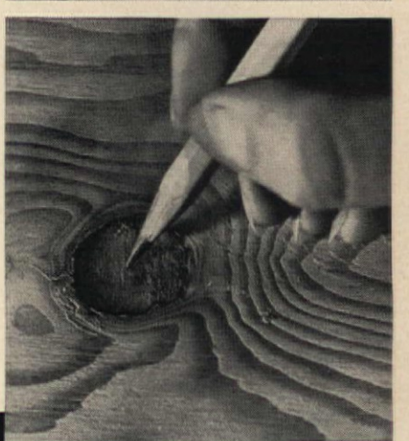
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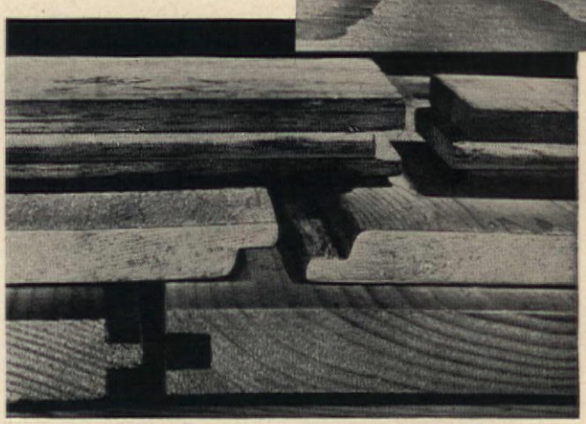
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Rough framing lumber measures actually the size named. But framing lumber that's been planed smooth is smaller than nominal size. A 2x4 smoothed on four sides is approximately 1½" by 3½". The same is true of pine shelving. A 1x6 is about ¾" by 5½". This is standard for softwoods. With hardwoods and such things as flooring, trim, and plywood, the nominal and actual dimensions are the same



Plywood is made in several strong and durable grades. The best has both sides perfect. Flaws such as open knotholes, like the one shown, surface cracks, and splits mar both sides of the poorest grades. In between are grades with one perfect side and one flawed. Buy the most economical grade fitted to the job. If only one side shows, use an in-between grade. If it will be out of sight completely, use a low grade



End-matched flooring (top) with tongue and groove sides and ends is made of oak, maple, pine, and other hard- and softwoods. Shiplap siding (center) and other similarly weather-resistant siding shapes come in pine, redwood, cedar, cypress, and other softwoods. Sheathing (bottom) and roof boards with tongue and groove sides are softwoods such as pine, fir, and spruce



Trim and Moldings

Buying Lumber

JAMES A. OEST

This is the time of the year when the man of the house with extended ruler and squinting eye decides it's time to do a little carpentry, or put in a few improvements. A visit to your lumber dealer before you get your plans finally set may save you considerable time as well as money. There's lumber in many types of wood, shapes, and sizes, a selection of millwork stock which you can use as it is, and often such things as insulation, asphalt and wood shingles, roofing felt, gypsum, flagstones, paints, nails. Your dealer has had a lot of experience and he can



For cornices, shelf edging, and other interior trim features you can buy ready-cut wood molding such as these scalloped designs. You can also get storm and screen doors and windows, kitchen and dining-room cabinets, shutters, window frames and sash, and many other wood units already cut and assembled, or ready for easy assembly. Also available are stair railings, balusters, treads, door sills, various-sized closet poles, and standard moldings

Photographs by George Daniels



A few of the sheet and panel materials found in most lumber yards are: (reading from bottom up) gypsum or plaster board; ¾" plywood; pressed paper board; hardboard, made from wood fibers; insulating boards; striated plywood, which has one surface textured; small samples of laminated plastic, which can also be had on a plywood backing; and wood veneer





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Buying Lumber

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help you avoid costly mistakes and oftentimes much unnecessary work.

One factor to consider when planning a job, big or small, is standard dimensions of commonly stocked materials. Framing lumber, for beams and wall studs, is generally available in even-numbered widths and thicknesses, such as 2x4, 2x6, and 2x8. There are also some frequently used odd-numbered sizes like 1x2 and 2x3. 1-inch nominal dimensions actually measure ⅞ and sometimes as little as ¾ inch. The larger actual dimensions are ⅜ to ½ in. less than nominal designations when lumber is smooth on all four sides. Lumber that's left rough as it comes from the saw at the mill is usually the same actual dimension as named.

Lengths commonly run from 6 ft. up to 20 ft. in 2-foot intervals. In many yards there are some odd-numbered lengths stocked, too. Often in planning you can eliminate waste by changes to permit the use of lengths that come just to or below stock sizes. If you needed an 8-ft., 2-in. length, it would mean a waste of 10 inches from a 9-ft. piece, or 22 inches from a 10-ft. piece, but you may be able to change the framing so an 8-ft. length will do. If the job calls for several 7-ft. lengths, buy 14-ft. pieces and cut them in half, when 7-footers aren't in stock.

Sheet materials such as plywood, insulation and gypsum boards, hardboard, and asbestos-cement flat sheets are normally 4 ft. wide. The most common length is 8 ft., but other lengths from 7 to 12 ft. are also frequently available. Some wallboards can be obtained as large as 8 ft. wide by 20 ft. long. Often you can buy a part of a panel, particularly if the remaining piece is a standard size—a 4-by-4-ft. piece cut from a 4-by-12-ft. panel leaves a 4-by-8-ft. sheet.

Some of the sheet materials come in odd sizes, some have interesting applied or veneered finishes, some are available in plank form and as tiles. Many interesting decorative and structural results are possible.

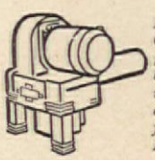
Grades, thicknesses, and sizes are numerous in flooring, moldings, framing lumber, sheet materials, commonly stocked items such as doors, windows, cabinets, and roofing. In fact they're too numerous for even the best-stocked yards to have them all on hand at all times. The dealer can tell you what's in stock, and prices. He can also suggest the cheapest grade to do the job satisfactorily, and good substitutes for what isn't in stock, if you'll tell just how you plan to use it. Among the many things available are such special-purpose materials as fence pickets, railings, and trellises, already cut for your job. That's another reason it pays to tell the dealer what you're planning.



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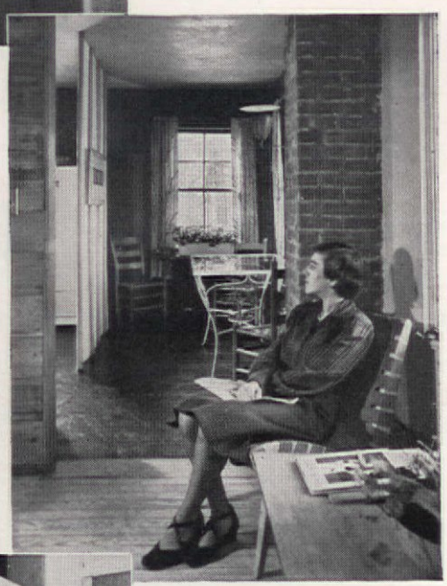
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it's a wood containing much oil and used to water, will rarely need refinishing—practical thought. The same careful planning went into the big screened-in porch which serves as outdoor living room and workshop for two busy people. Reached through dining room or kitchen, it's set at an angle so it won't shut off the view from the living room. Like everything they've done, it's good. With open frame over the terrace, it will be even better.



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At this stage of remodeling, porch had not been added. Now, wall at right has been replaced with French doors and two stationary windows. Sections of fluted glass between poles separate dining area from kitchen, let some light through and are easy to clean



Top of storage wall in front hall was left open to admit light and air to study end of living room. Cabinets were bought prefabricated from local department store, assembled by Mr. Lustig in space he planned for them. Before buying, the Lustigs analyzed their needs, got the units that met them

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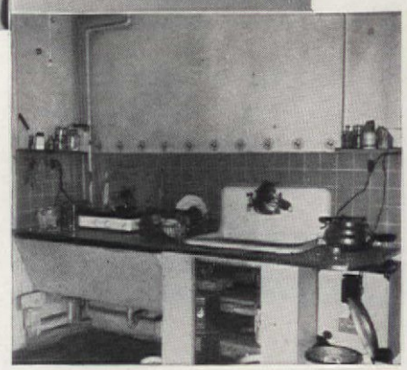
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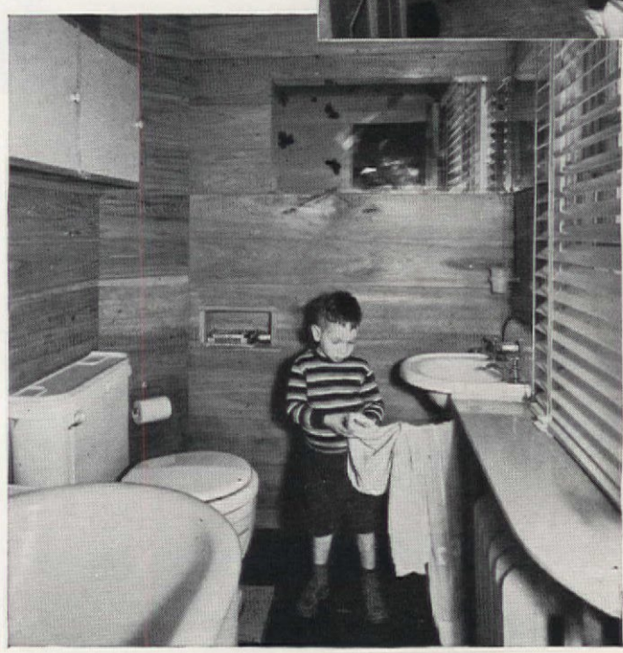




Here's where most of the remodeling funds went, but the Lustigs agree the money was well spent. Their new equipment is a long-term investment. Wall over range is papered with pages from children's cook book they wrote and illustrated. Side wall is paneled in cypress



To make bathroom practical, they moved the tub and sink, closed up the former door and put one in the back hall. Cabinets had to go high on wall above tub. To make room gay, one wall is painted pink and decorated with cut-out butterflies. Continuing mirror on end wall gives room depth



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Family Affair

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charming—gay and informal as you might guess: first, because informality "goes steady" with ranch houses; and second, because informality dovetails with the way the family likes to live. Mrs. Gates runs her home much as the average young wife today: no maid, only the weekly cleaning woman, and an excellent "sitter" list. Her activities and her life are much the same as her mother's were, years before her, but her home duties are greater. She has more household conveniences and uses them, *herself*. Her days off are few, and yet she entertains frequently—more often than her mother did, probably, but much more informally and easily. Usually it's a buffet supper if a group is invited. They eat on the terrace in summer and play badminton afterward by night lighting. In winter, dinner is served inside with bridge or a favorite television program afterward. It's fun, a peck of it, but done in the friendly way of today with a house that bows graciously to the present trend.

Working with the old ranch house as a pattern, we may steer between the eccentricities of the arty and the platitudes of the humdrum and, with a little originality, easily condition something wholesome, practical, and lovely. Its limitations can quickly become virtues.

For a time, many people were complaining that we were sacrificing home-spirit for convenience. With the aspect of a discouraged bank teller, they said, "We have lost individuality . . . personality. America has lost its home heartbeat. The significant, fragile meaning of home," they warned, "has slipped through our hands, with a sound of breaking!"

Not so with the modified ranch house. It is in harmony with the old and the new way of living. It can set for its goal the best attributes of both and use them successfully.

Modification of the old type house is only common reasoning if we sensibly apply psychology to our homes. The influence of changing habits of dress, diet, and entertainment are all leading us more and more to informal living. People today must put genius as well as talent into planning a house that caters to *their* way of living. What do you do when you get home? Do you kick off shoes, fix a cup of coffee, or what? Whatever you do, your house plan and house decoration should follow *your* pattern.

Nothing means everything to everybody! To you, and you, and another you, a modernized ranch house may sound like any variety of apple, but for those who like native architecture, the theory of the ranch house is validated by field tests and condensed by trial with a record of simplified, joyous living that is longer than a two-engined freight train.



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Our Children

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work with them in getting the project started. From that beginning the successful program has evolved.

Sparked by the enthusiasm and tireless work of Mrs. Forrest Engelhart, a parent who carried the entire community along with her, the Youth Center stands as a democratic enterprise in which all citizens, rich and poor alike, work together for the good of the children. The sports program, with emphasis on swimming, has been outstanding and has made a whole area swimming-conscious. As a result, its citizens voted bonds for a community swimming pool to be built on the high school grounds. Here the Youth Center swimming classes will be carried on in the future instead of in the private pools in the valley.

A summer baseball program with games scheduled against playground teams from neighboring towns, fathers and sons' games, tennis, Ping-pong, basketball, and volley ball kept the sports-minded youngsters busy. Classes in leather and metal work, water color, cartooning, and photography appealed to others. Hay rides, dances, and picnics added to the fun.

How to raise money is of first consideration if you're thinking of a project like this for your town this summer. Money-raising projects varied the first two years in Danville. In fact, practically everything was tried: cake sales, benefit shows, and athletic events, door-to-door solicitation, and cans for contributions placed on store counters. All of these were abandoned in favor of sure-fire projects. One is a benefit movie and old-fashioned country fair sale held in the spring at the local theater. Articles donated by the town's merchants, cakes, refreshments of all kinds, and white elephants are on sale. They generally clear around $1,100 on this day. The other plan is a special edition of the *Valley Pioneer,* the local weekly. A Youth Center Edition, with business firms far and wide contributing ads, brings in $1,500. This, with gifts from the P.T.A. and service clubs, pays the salaries of four recreational directors and buys sports equipment.

Here is some advice which Danville parents pass on to others contemplating a youth center program. Don't be discouraged because a building isn't available for a year-round youth center. Start a summer program for the time of year it is most needed, using school buildings and playgrounds for your activities. Don't depend on trained personnel alone. Bring in as many qualified persons as you can to make a diversified crafts and sports program. Don't undertake too elaborate a program your first summer. Keep it simple at first, but get it started. Call upon the community to help and it will be a success.

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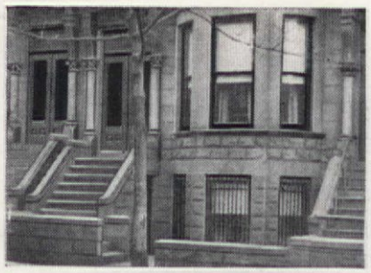
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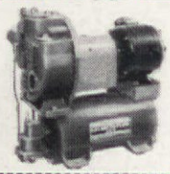
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Three Levels

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doors swing out—just slide. Double bed is built to floor—side tables built from wall without legs—thus twelve usual legs are eliminated in bedroom.

Besides a large closet each, we also each have a shoe closet built-in at the outside ends of the clothes closets, and in the bathroom each of us has a toilet cabinet to himself on either side of the large mirror. The storage closet in this bathroom is built low, making the top right height for sitting and thus eliminating need for a separate stool. The linen closet at top of stairs has unusual lines, but packs a lot of space and deep shelves.

The dining room is 100 per cent successful for living purposes. The built-in wall of china closet and sideboard is not seen until you walk over into the dining-room area. Slide to kitchen extends from main sideboard surface to the shelf above. The extra-width door to the porch (front door is extra width, too) in summer makes the airiness and outdoor charm of summer come right into our dining-room area. Dinner music coming from the sound box above is a perfect accompaniment. Our vegetable garden, with rows of zinnias and marigolds glamorizing it, is planted just outside the southern exposure windows—making a constantly changing and fascinating picture for us to look out on all summer, from both the living room and dining room. It's more fun than grass out in that strategic spot.

I still say the kitchen is a huge success after five years of working in it. I miss, at times, not having my soaps and brushes high enough to use without stooping or taking three steps to the utility room shelves, but I deliberately chose to keep all the sweep of space in front of me when at the sink or work surface, free and open and uncluttered—a triple picture window. The breakfast-nook table is a trick shape to accommodate three adults and take as little room as possible. A massive brace underneath eliminates legs, which adds vastly to comfort of getting in and out. Seats of bent plywood fit the curves of the body, seats are much deeper than usual, and there is a shelf under the window for elbows to lounge on. A sliding window opens in summer on the screened porch and permits passing food when eating on the porch is desired. We didn't waste valuable space on a door for this minor activity. Indirect light over the sink is a pleasure for night work. Doors and eating unit are of maple plywood.

A professor of journalism friend once described our house as "the most exciting, restful house" he'd ever seen—and that's about it.

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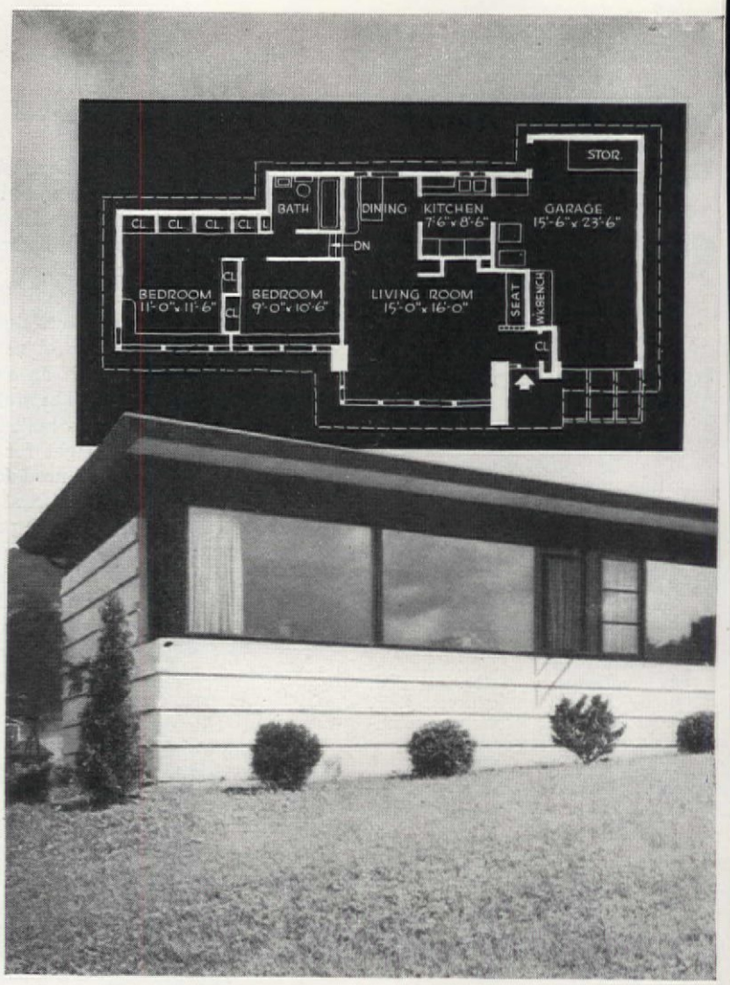
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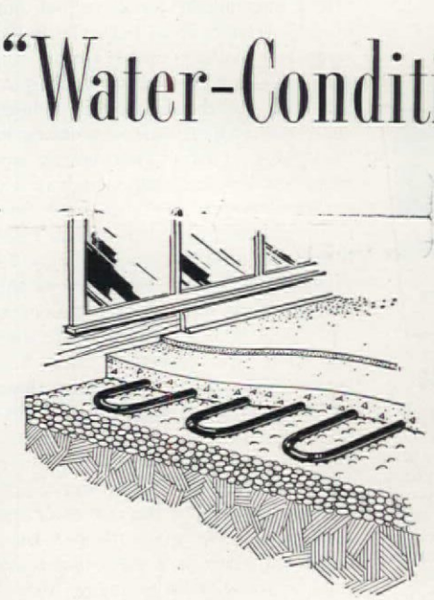
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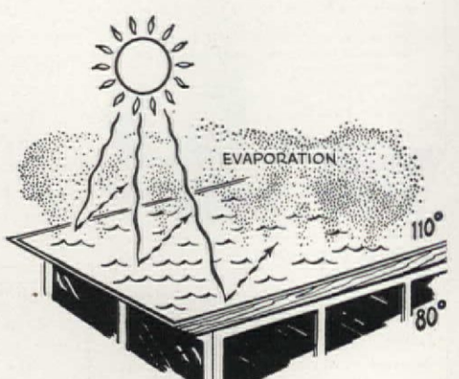


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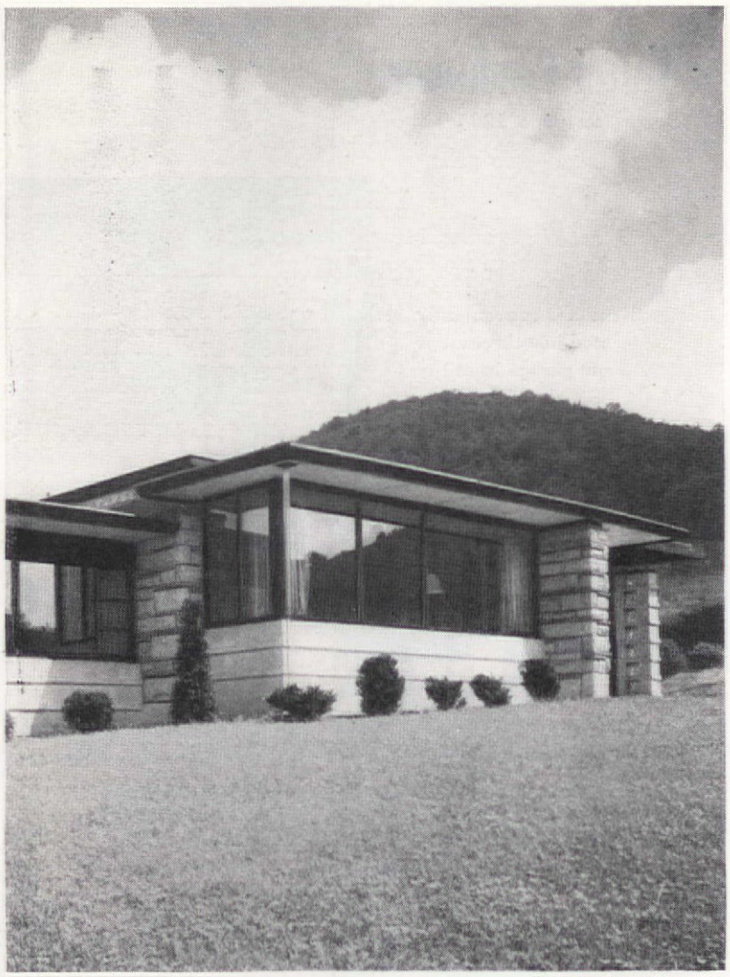
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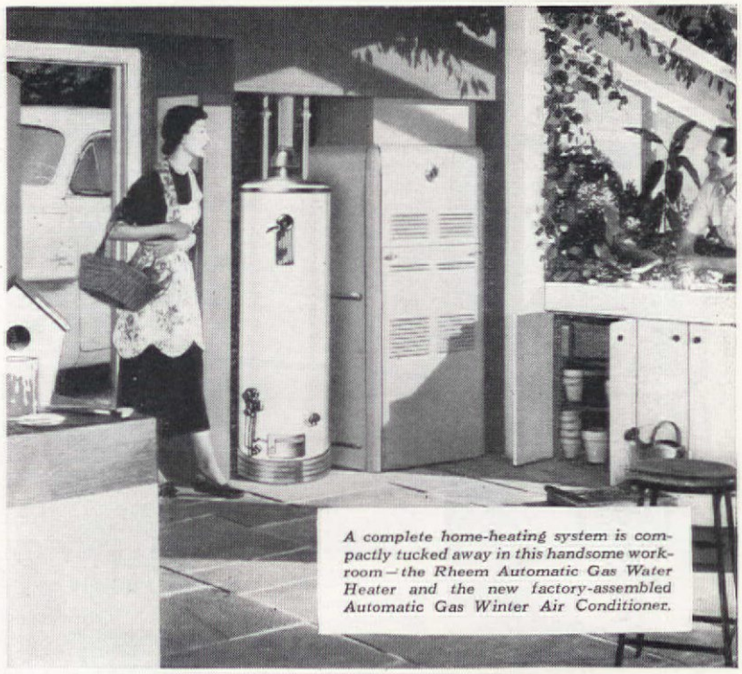
FRED GUND

Bud Miller's home in Port Alleghany, Pennsylvania is a compact, convenient, comfortable house of thoroughly modern design, with one added feature that sets it apart from its contemporaries. The flat, built-up roof is constructed in such a manner that it holds water during the hot summer months reflecting heat of the sun, and actually cooling the roof through the water's evaporation. You can imagine what a difference this makes in just plain old-fashioned comfort!

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A raised ceiling in the living room gives a feeling of greater size. Soft even light is diffused by fluorescents, and glass block along the north wall furnishes clerestory lighting. Inexpensive fir plywood and native cut stone are used for the



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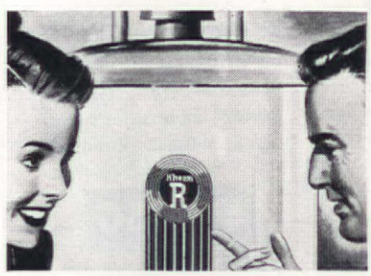
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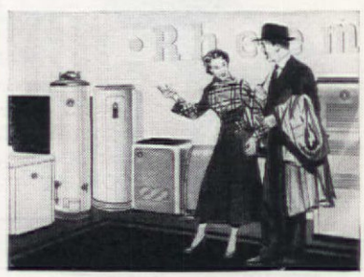
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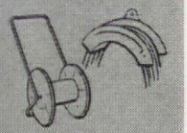
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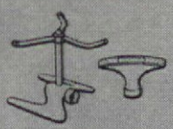
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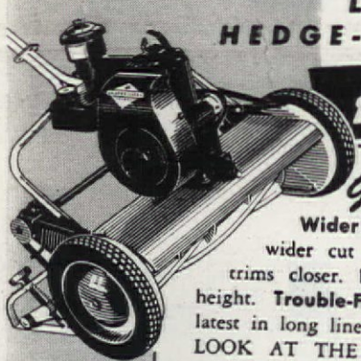


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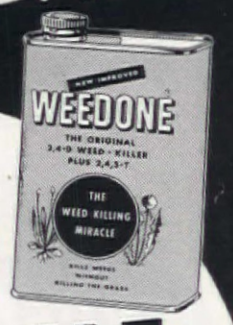
more nutritious food, improving home surroundings and aiding community development will make this land of ours an even better place to live in."

Shortly after that, Secretary Brannan, quoting his predecessor's announcement of the 1948 goal of 20 million Freedom Gardens, said in part, "The individual contributions of home gardeners may not be large, but in total they can be tremendously significant in adding to our domestic food supply." He also stressed an often overlooked fact: "An extensive program of home gardens," he said, "can help to increase the consumption of fruits and vegetables . . . to overcome poor food habits and indifferences that are the cause of poor diets among families that have ample funds to spend for food. Families that take up gardening seem to develop a taste for vegetables and fruit. Even if they give up their garden, they are apt to continue to eat more vegetables than in their pre-garden days. Their gardening experience tends to have a permanent effect upon their consumption habits. The most remarkable thing of all is that the gardening family tends to buy commercially-grown fruits and vegetables once it has started to raise part of its own supply. A 1944 study of urban families showed that the average gardening family actually purchased more fruits and vegetables than did the non-gardening family!

Year after year opinions and proofs piled up as to the value of home gardening and food preservation in terms of physical and mental health, economy for the individual and the country, increased supplies for the armed forces and for the needy peoples of friendly nations, an effective reserve in normal times, and an indispensable safeguard in the event of adversity or catastrophe. From Army and Navy leaders, statesmen with their fingers on the international pulse, experts in nutrition, preventive medicine and psychotherapy, sociologists, and philosophers came the same advice—it is good to have gardens, grow food in them, and use that food generously and wisely.

So we come to January 22 and 23, 1951, when, at Secretary Brannan's invitation, the National Advisory Garden Committee met again in Washington to discuss with the Department "the need and advisability of a home garden and food preservation program for 1951." Reaffirming many points brought out in past years, Mr. Brannan said the government had no preconceived plan but sought suggestions. He read a letter from Civil Defense Administrator Millard Caldwell who said such a program "could make a contribution

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As a result of two days of deliberating the Committee submitted recommendations based on the reports of six subcommittees that dealt with Policy, National Organization and Coordination, Youth Participation, Community and Company Gardens, Nutrition and Food Preservation, and Co-operation with Commercial Producers and Processors. The Committee was convinced that "a national home garden program *is* in order at this time," and that it should be called the "Liberty Garden Program." It emphasized the value of the existing garden program of the Department's Extension Service, but recommended its expansion to meet existing emergency needs. It also affirmed that "voluntary citizen participation" would be essential to its success and would aid in making communities more self-reliant and self-sufficient.

Two weeks later, the Secretary announced the "expansion of the home gardening and food preservation activities in the Department," stating that the Cooperative Extension Service, Federal and State, would have responsibility for leadership in the program, and inviting individuals or groups desiring to co-operate in the program to "get in touch with their county extension offices, state extension services, or the Department." He said, in part, that "special effort should be made to get people in cities where space for home gardening is not available, to become active in a program of home and community food preservation."

Thus the 1951 program was launched. Though it was not officially given a name, we who garden can well regard our collective efforts as part of a drive along the road to Liberty—Liberty for the individual, for this land of ours, and for all the peace-loving nations of the world.

So, for your own and your family's good, for the defense of the country, and to support the forces of freedom and democracy everywhere, make this *your* Liberty Garden Program:

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The food-supply situation

Fortunately, supplies of seeds of vegetables, fertilizers, most standard, proven pest- and disease-control materials, and home food-processing equipment (except jar rubbers and other closures) seem sufficient for all home needs. Frozen-food locker plants in 1950 (11,596 with some 80 million cu. ft. of storage space) were more than twice as many as in 1944. There are believed to be 3 million home freezer units in operation.

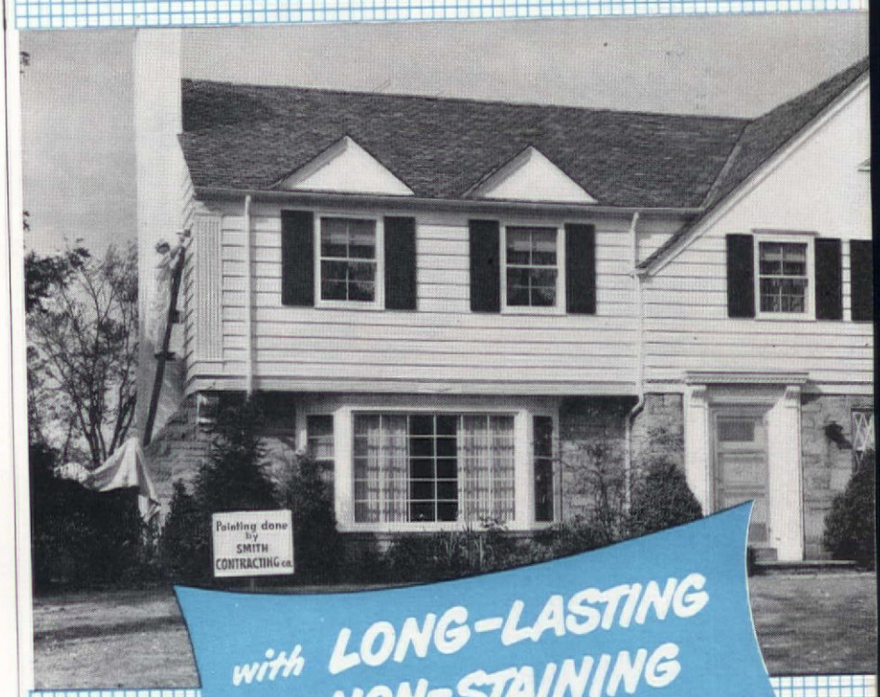
"Bread nourisheth the body, but daffodils delight the soul," said the philosopher—which is something for liberty gardeners to remember. May the day never come when lawns and flower beds must be planted to food crops. But it is always possible—often desirable—to combine in the garden things useful and things beautiful. Such as: calendulas, rows of carrots, an edging of sweet alyssum; dwarf curled parsley bordering a bed of semi-dwarf snapdragons; beets with tuberous begonias; golden yellow wax beans between rows of pansies; alternating plants of dahlias and tomatoes, each trained to its own sturdy stake.

One "gardening gourmet" in Massachusetts urges that families grow only their favorite vegetables. He bases his seed-buying and planting plans on a "vegetable rating table," based, in turn, on actual comparisons of store-bought and home-grown produce. Of course, without a garden, delicacies like "baby" beets, carrots, beans, etc., simply aren't to be had for comparison!

Speaking of delicacies, two new varieties of Midget sweet corn are said to be almost immune to European corn-borer damage. The flying egg-laying moths seem to overlook the short (30 to 36 in.) stalks; and the tight husks of the 4 to 5 in. ears are resistant to attack.

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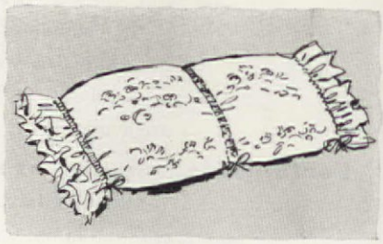
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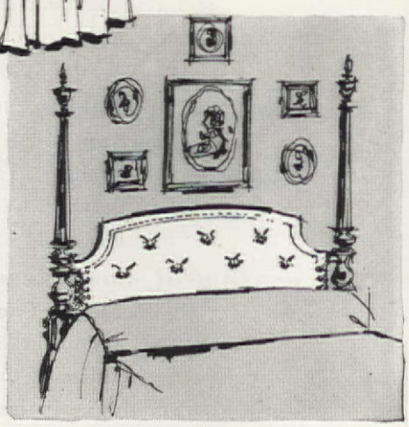
Sheer shirred slip cover holds two bed pillows. Make single case two or more times width of pillows and at least 6 inches longer at each end for headings. Ends are left open. Casings are made at each end and in center for cord to shir fabric. Pull gathers evenly into place. Undo gathers and launder flat



This year's antimacassar for protecting chair back, arms and—new idea—the seat also. Fitted cap for the back section is cut to fit exactly, slips on into place. Pin hemmed length of fabric under arm, extend over roll of one arm, under seat and up over opposite arm. Cushion hooks in back

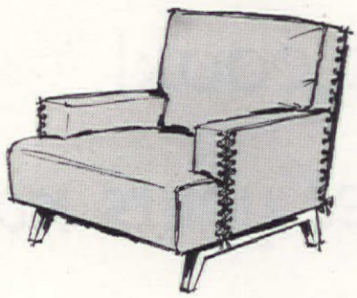


A fitting trick for a barrel or round-back chair. Roll up an inch or so of brush fringe, catch it with a few stitches. Overcast, sewing a safety pin to this pompon, leaving prong free. Fasten several pompons through slip cover into upholstery. Eliminates sags, wrinkles



Front of this cover for a headboard is padded and held in place with a short fitted back panel. Lace at the sides through metal eyelets. Tassel fringe is sewn to the top edges, and either covered buttons or fringe pompons are attached through padding for the headboard trim

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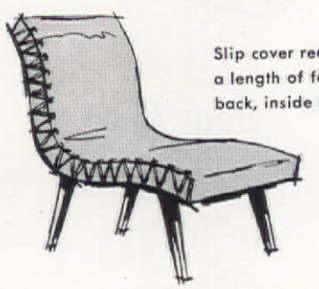


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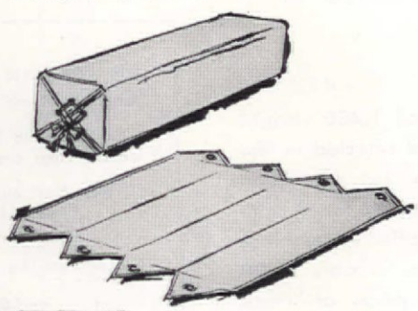
Back cover sewn and slipped on, sides under arms closed with hook tape or slide fasteners. Seat cover is flat piece with corners cut out, hemmed around edges, cord attached under top corner edges. Tie around front and back posts to keep in place. Edges trimmed by stitching with contrasting thread

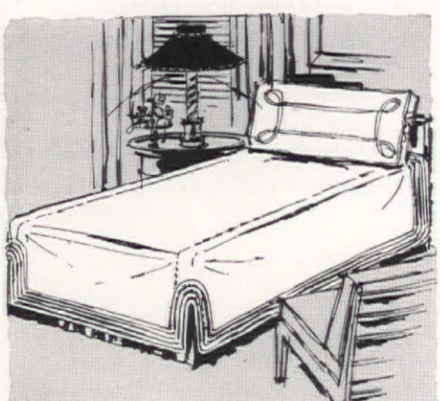


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26 COLOR SCHEMES

The owners, designers, decorators, and photographers of the rooms shown on pages 32 through 37.

The Blues and Lilacs . . Top row, left to right: Aqua living room in the Stuart Haig Rae home. Photography, Nowell Ward. Entrance hall in the Fritz Craig home (owner-architect). Photography, Fred Gund. Blue living room in the William Fay home. Decorator, Lois Doyle of Marion Heuer Interiors. Photography, F. M. Demarest. Modern living room in the William Wallace Reid, Jr., home (owner-designer). Photography, Peter Gowland. Bottom row: Second picture, living room in the E. M. Rhodes home. Decorator, Margaret Feagin. Photography, Hence Griffith. Third picture, living room in the William Fay home. Decorator, Lois Doyle of Marion Heuer Interiors. Photography, F. M. Demarest.

The Greens . . Top row, left to right: The dressing room. Decorator, Mary E. Monze. Wallpaper, Richard E. Thibault, Inc.; rug, C. H. Mas:and Sons; plaid fabric, Shulman Abrash; curtains, Craig Co.; pin-up lamps, Florence Louise Kay; poodles, M. Wille, Inc.; silhouettes, Alice Cranston Fenner; jar and bottles, Westmoreland Glass; perfume, Mary Chess. Photography, F. M. Demarest. The formal living room in the Joseph S. Linz home. Decorator, Ed Spillars, A.I.D. Photography, Hence Griffith. The modern living room in the Harold Bissner home. Architects, Harold Bissner, A.I.A., and Harold Zook. Photography, Julius Shulman. Middle row: Living room in "Bermuda House," a model home. Designer, Roger Rasbach. Decorator, Priestley Horton of The Broadway Stores, Los Angeles. Photography, George de Gennaro. Both bedrooms are in the John Leeds Kerr home. Architect, Charles Hunter, A.I.A. Photography, Julius Shulman. Bottom row: Living room in the Walter Leighton Clark home (owner designed and decorated). Photography, George de Gennaro. Living room in the George Ross home. Decorator, Susan Ross of George Hall. Photography, Stan Raymond. A room in the Stuart Haig Rae home. Photography, Nowell Ward.

The Reds . . Left to right: Guest apartment at "Carousel House." Designers, Dick Massen and Roland Green. Photography, Julius Shulman. Bedroom in the home of Mrs. Dorothy L. Trumm. Photography, F. M. Demarest. Living room in an apartment in Washington, D.C. Photography, Fred Gund. Bedroom in "Bermuda House," a model home. Designer, Roger Rasbach. Decorator, Priestley Horton of The Broadway Stores, Los Angeles. Photography, George de Gennaro. Bedroom in "Forecast House," a model home. Decorator, Marion Heuer Interiors. Photography, B. Goodnow, Kranzten Studios Inc.

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FRUIT: FOR GOODNESS SAKE

Table appointments on pages 52 and 53: Hand-Wrought Crystal "Plantation"—A. H. Heisey & Co. Chop Plate—Cemar Pottery. Photograph by F. M. Demarest.





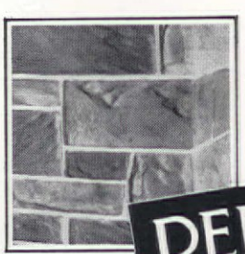
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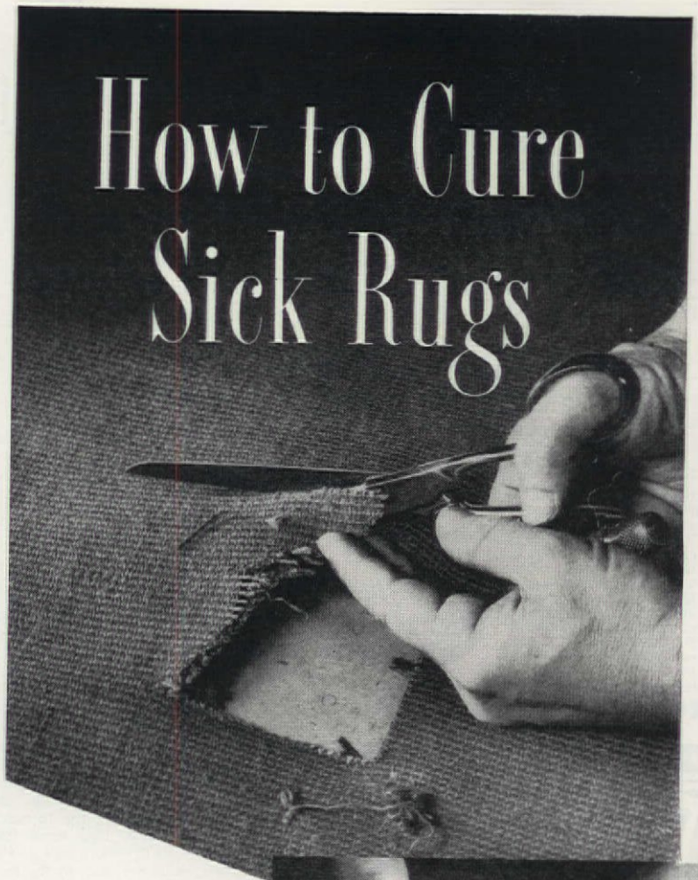
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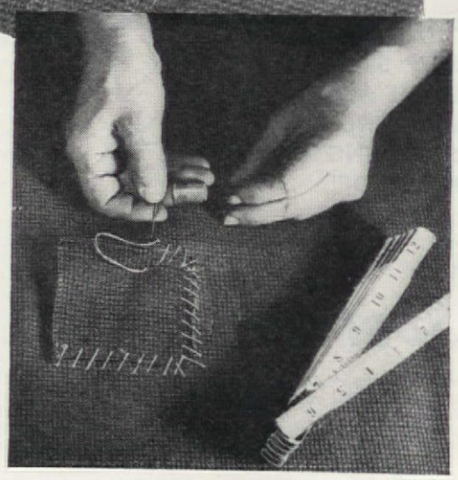
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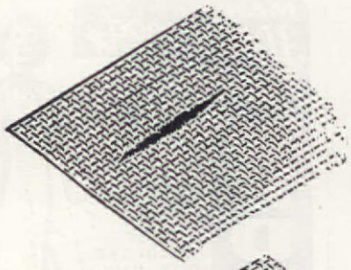
TO PATCH A HOLE

Cut torn hole to form an even square following weave of rug for straight lines. Cut square patch exact size of hole, match weave and be sure nap of carpet and patch run in same direction. Attach with whipstitches on wrong side of the rug

Photographs by Fred Stein

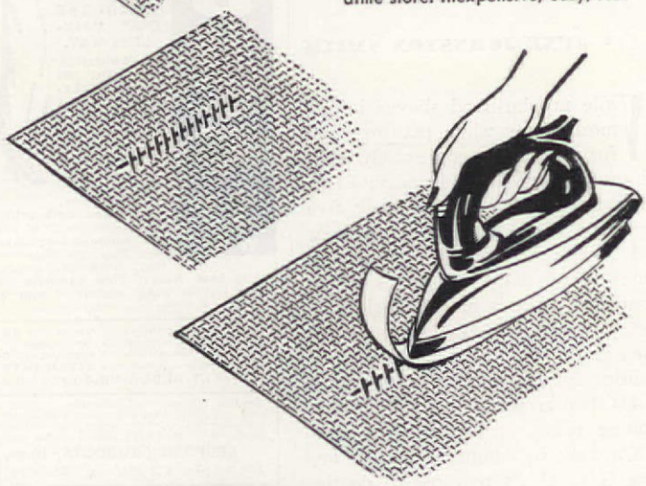
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Believe it or not, you can solve many of your rug repair problems by doing them yourself. Rug repair isn't any more difficult than fixing a hem or patching your son's corduroys. It's easy and saves money. Before starting, clean rug thoroughly, shampoo if necessary. Let's start with a rip in your carpet. It can be repaired in a few minutes. All you need is a strong needle, carpet thread, and a piece of press-on-tape (15¢ per foot at the dime store). Turn rug to wrong side and sew rip together with long narrow whipstitches. Then a piece of press-on tape is ironed on. In the case of a hole in a solid-colored carpet, use a matching patch. If you have no piece for this purpose, your rug dealer may be able to find a piece. Carefully enlarge hole to a neat rectangular or square opening. Cut patch to match exactly. Nap must run same way. Set into hole. It should fit snugly. Whipstitch into place. Use press-on tape if desired. Frayed and thinned edges are a common rug ailment. Remove old binding if carpet has been bound. Cut off all frayed, raveled edges evenly. Follow weave of carpet for straight line. Turn to right side. Cut rug binding, allow turn-in for ends. Place binding close to edge of carpet. Whipstitch with firm close stitches. Turn ends in. Reverse carpet to wrong side. Turn rug binding over edge, and whipstitch. Keep even and flat.



TO MEND A TEAR

Whip torn edges together from wrong side using heavy carpet or linen thread, and a close long diagonal stitch. Needle should be strong and heavy. Then iron on a piece of press-on tape from the dime store. Inexpensive, easy, fast



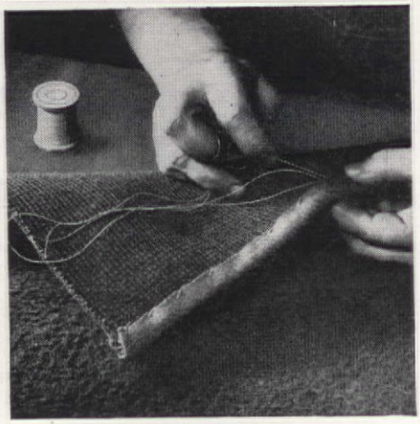


TO BIND WORN EDGES

Turn carpet over to wrong side and trim all edges with sharp shears. Follow weave of carpet for straight line. If necessary cut off inch or more in order to have firm, even edge that will wear and look better. Cut strip of rug binding 2 inches longer than length of carpet to be bound, to allow turning ends in neatly



Turn end of rug binding in, place close to edge of carpet, then whipstitch ¼ inch down from edge of right side of rug. Use a strong needle and carpet thread. Keep diagonal stitches close together and evenly spaced. For a first attempt, baste binding into position before whipstitching to edge



Turn rug binding over to wrong side of rug (again baste into position if this is your first experience). Whipstitch firmly into place. Keep stitches even and taut. As you sew, smooth binding so it does not buckle. Turn end to conceal raw edges

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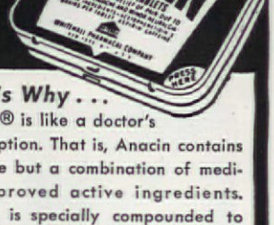
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Get a tilting arbor saw, not a tilting table saw. You'll find it much more convenient and more certain in handling large pieces on a table that stays level. It isn't easy to prevent a saw from creeping off a line in thoroughly seasoned hardwood at best, without handicapping yourself.

You will also need a power drill press, and you'll need a disk sander for your saw. I have a belt sander but it is not essential. Frankly, in my own particular work I have not found a belt sander for smoothing large surfaces as necessary as I had thought. You have to plane them first, anyway. Hand sanding to finish will do, if you paint. But you'll need the disk sander for edging work.

Here is a list of expenditures including everything except a few incidentals. Prices may have gone up since we bought our equipment.

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Electric range	394.16
Wiring	15.00
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Laying tile	34.53
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Bolts (box of 50—used 24)	2.04
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Door handles	6.12
Door catches	1.08
Hinges	1.53
Paint	7.50
Wallpaper	3.00
Chairs (4)	40.75
Sander disks and belts	3.06
	$1261.63

As near as I can judge, it would have cost $2,000.00 to have someone else remodel this kitchen including the $902.59 invested in electric range and sink. I did not keep an accurate count on the time I spent, but it was approximately 200 hours, which figures out at around $3.70 an hour. You won't get rich that way, but you will have a lot of fun and satisfaction.

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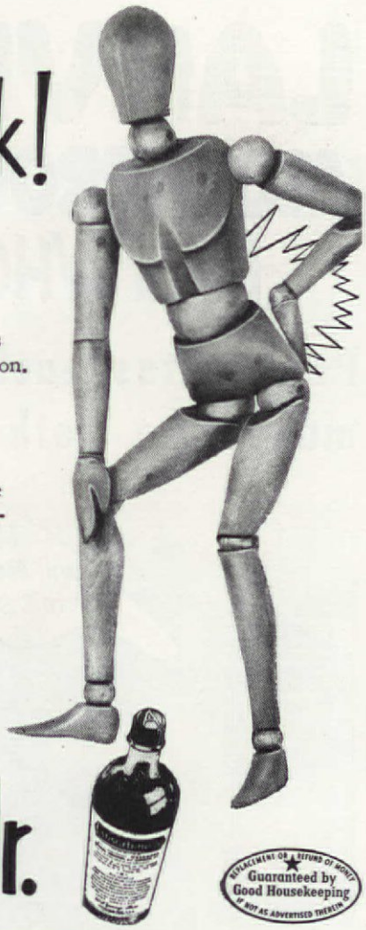


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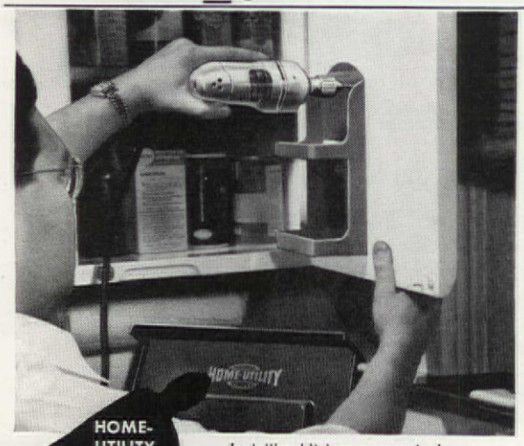
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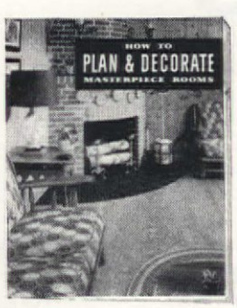
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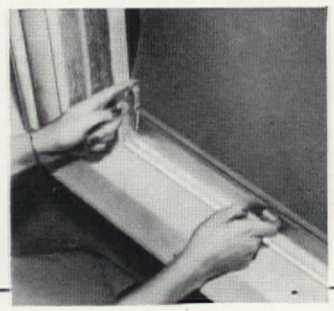
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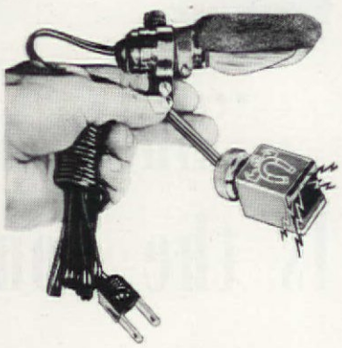
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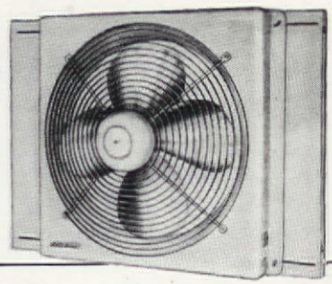


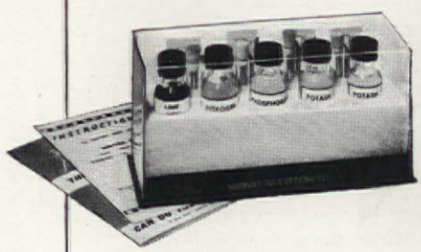
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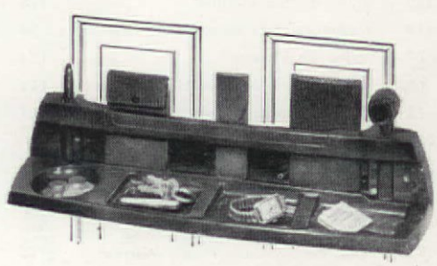


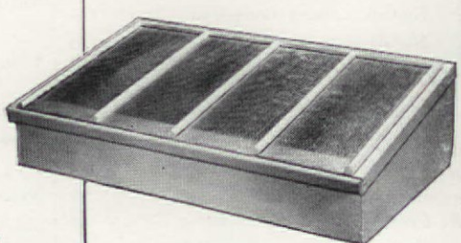
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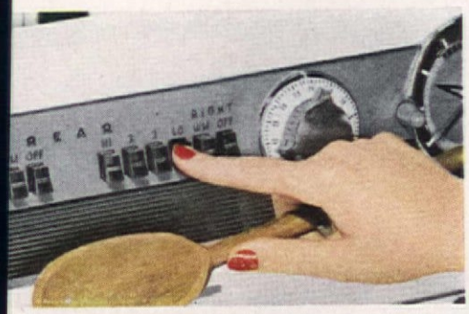




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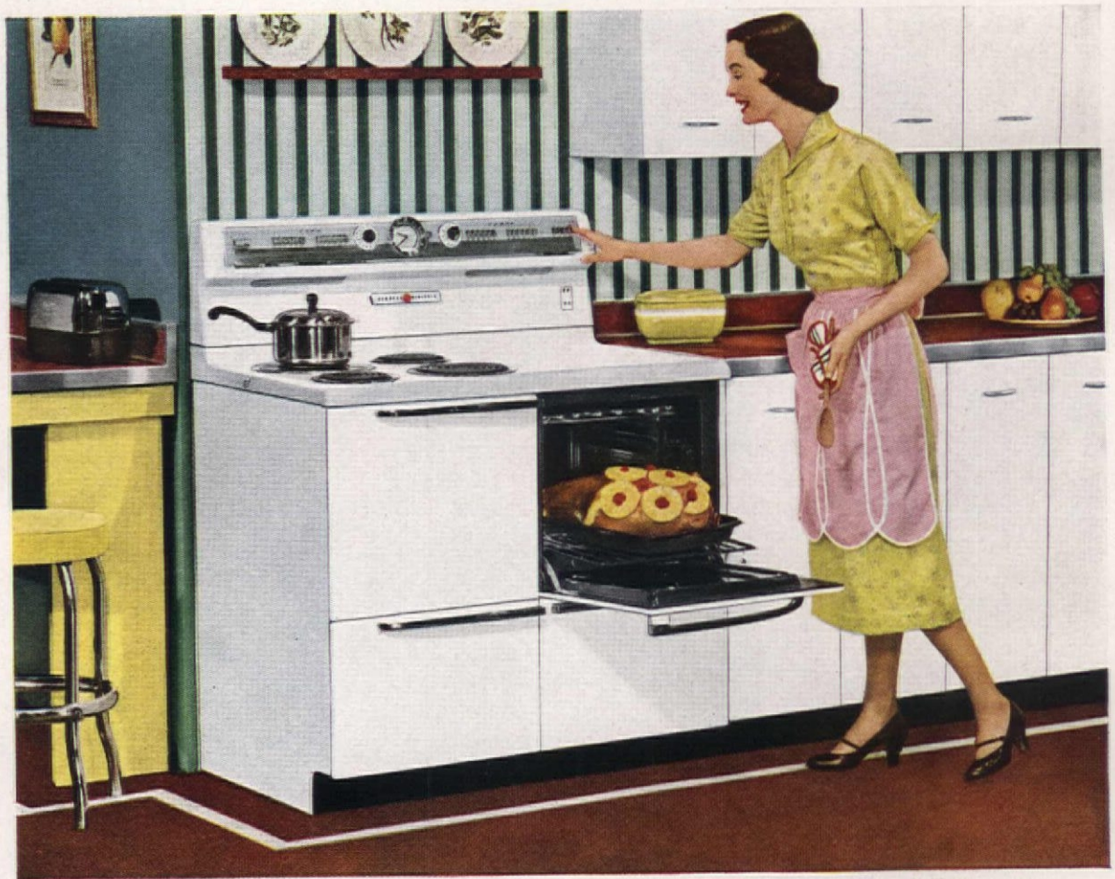
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